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Grandfather (your mother's side)

Name ERIC CARLSON Current Residence DECEASED
If dead, date of death

Place of birth VERSION SWEDEN Date of birth 1894
Education (number of years):
grade school 8 high school — vocational — college —

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st MOLDER - FORBES Dates 1912-1914 1st UNKNOWN Dates 1912-14
2nd VERSON KNITTING Co. (SET UP MAN) Dates 1915-1957 2nd 2938 CAPEY Dates 1915-70
3rd Dates 3rd Dates
4th Dates 4th Dates

Religion LUTHERAN
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc.

Place of marriage to your grandmother date
Note: If your mother was raised by a stepfather or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (C-1)

Grandmother (your mother's side)

Name BEDA CARLSON Current Residence 2938 CAPEY ST. ROCKFORD ILL
If dead, date of death

Place of birth ROCKFORD ILL. Date of birth 1898
Education (number of years)
grade school high school vocational college

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st ZELKS BOX FACTORY Dates 1919-1925 1st 2938 CAPEY Dates 1926-present
2nd BAKER (SUNBEAM) Dates 1926-1929 2nd Dates
3rd BAKER (WHOLESOME) Dates 1930-1942 3rd Dates

Religion LUTHERAN
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc.

Place of marriage to your grandfather date
Note: If your mother was raised by a stepmother or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (D-2)

Stepgrandfather (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandmother _____ date _____

Stepgrandmother (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

Religion _____
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ Date _____

CHILDREN of A & B (or A-1 or B-1) - your father's name should appear below

1. Name JOHN ADDEN
Place of birth ROCKFORD Date OCT 28, 1928
Number of years of schooling 11 Occupation
Residence 328 HOLLISTER ROCKFORD Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 4

2. Name
Place of birth Date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

3. Name
Place of birth Date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

4. Name
Place of birth Date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

5. Name
Place of birth Date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

6. Name
Place of birth Date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

7. Name
Place of birth Date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

8. Name
Place of birth Date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

9. Name
Place of birth Date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

10. Name
Place of birth Date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

CHILDREN of C and D (or C-1, D-1)-your mother's name should appear below

1. Name ARLENE ~~S~~ ADDEN
Place of birth ROCKFORD date OCT 16 1929
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation SECRETARY ROCKFORD PROOF
Residence ROCKFORD Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 4

2. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

3. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

4. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
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9. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

10. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

Your Father

Name JOHN ADDEN Current Residence ROCKFORD ILL.
If dead, date of death —

Place of birth ROCKFORD ILL Date of birth OCTOBER 28 1928
Education (number of years)
grade school 9 high school 3 vocational — college —

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st SODAJERKER Dates JAN"43"-MAY"43" 1st 704 8TH ST. Dates "42"
2nd ROOFER Dates FEB"46"-DEC"46" 2nd 704 8TH ST. Dates "44"
3rd BAKER Dates JAN"47" JAN"48" 3rd 704 8TH ST. Dates "45"-"46"
4th MAIL MAN Dates FEB"48"-PRESENT 4th 2942 LAPEY Dates "47" PRESENT
Religion LUTHERN

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. NATIONAL LETTER CARRIERS ASS.-
Place of marriage to your mother — date
NOTE: If you were raised by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (E-2)

Your Mother

Name ARLENE MARION CARLSON Current Residence ROCKFORD ILL.
If dead, date of death

Place of birth ROCKFORD Date of birth OCTOBER 16 1929
Education (number of years)
grade school 9 high school 4 vocational — college —

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st WHOLESOME BAKERY Dates MARCH"42"-JAN"43" 1st 2938 LAPEY Dates "42-43"
2nd ROCKFORD STANDARD FURN. Dates FEB"46"-JUNE"48" 2nd 2938 LAPEY Dates "47"-"51"
3rd ROCKFORD PRODUCTS CORP. Dates APRIL"62"-PRESENT 3rd 2942 LAPEY Dates 1962- PRESENT

Religion LUTHERN
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. —
Place of marriage to your father — date
NOTE: If you were raised by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (F-2).

E-1 Stepfather

Name _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____
Religion
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your mother _____ Date _____

F-2 Stepmother

Name _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____
Religion
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your father _____ date _____

CHILDREN of E and F (or E-2, F-2) - your name [illegible] below

Name STEVE ADDEN
Place of birth ROCKFORD Date of birth SEPT 15, 1949
Number of years of schooling 12 HIGH SCHOOL 4 yrs COLLEGE Occupation REAL ESTATE
Residence ROCKFORD Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 0

Name BRAD ADDEN
Place of birth ROCKFORD Date of birth MAY 16, 1952
Number of years of schooling 12 HIGH SCHOOL 4 yrs. COLLEGE Occupation RECREATION LEADER
Residence ROCKFORD Marital Status SINGLE
Number of children 0

Name KERRY ADDEN
Place of birth ROCKFORD Date of birth JULY 12, 1956
Number of years of schooling 12 HIGH SCHOOL 2 yr COLLEGE Occupation ~~SP~~ DRUG STORE CLERK
Residence ROCKFORD Marital Status SINGLE
Number of children 0

Name HEIDI ADDEN
Place of birth ROCKFORD Date of birth JULY 23, 1962
Number of years of schooling 8 yrs Occupation —
Residence ROCKFORD Marital Status SINGLE
Number of children 0

Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

Name
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Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

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INTRODUCTION

I have traced my family history back as far as 1894 to present day. All of my research came from interviews with my grandmother, mother, father, and through use of pictures. In this project I discuss mainly the topics of schooling, occupations, and other interesting aspects. This family history is limited to this small length due to lack of knowledgable sources and information. Our entire family consists of my mother and father and my mother's mother. I have no aunts or uncles on either side of my as my parents were the only children of their families. My father's parents I never met. We had nothing to do with my father's side of the family partly due to his mother being put in a mental institution early in her life. In this project I had to try to fit what loose ends I had, together for a suitable understanding of my entire family as a whole.

JOEL SIGFRID ADDEN JOHNSON
(Father's Father)

Joel Sigfrid Adden Johnson, my grandfather, was born on February 23, 1901, on a small farm in Oland, Sweden. He remained on the farm helping his father run it until his late teens. In 1921, he left his mother and father in Oland and ventured to America. He worked on the ship that brought him here to provide the cost of his transportation. When he arrived here in America, he dropped his last name of Johnson so his full name was now Joel Sigfrid Adden. In Sweden it was common for all Swedes to have four names. He wanted to drop Johnson for he thought it was much too common and wanted to be different. He came to Rockford knowing he would recieve a job as a cenent worker by his uncle who was a local contracter here. Joel lived on a farm just outside of Rockford in a rented upstairs of that farm house. When he was 26, he was employed by Excel Company as a furniture worker. When he was 32 years old he met Astrid Swanson who served as a maid for a wealthy couple here in Rockford and proved to be his future wife.

ASTRID SWANSON
(Father's Mother)

My grandmother, Astrid Swanson, was born on October 3, 1905 in Klungmitt, Sweden. She came to Rockford in her early 20's from Sweden and served as a maid for a very wealthy, prominant couple in Rockford. When she was 28, she met Joel Adden which turned out to be her future husband. (Note: I have this very limited information due to Joel Adden's death and his wife Astrid's entrance to Elgin Mental Institution early in my father's childhood.)

JOEL ADDEN AND ASTRID SWANSON

November 3, 1925, was the wedding date set for Joel Adden and Astrid Swanson. Joel was 24 and Astrid was 21 years old. Their ceremony was held in Belvidere at an outdoor garden with a very samall amount of people attending. Joel was working as a Business manager for Elida Lodge here in Rockford. Astrid just played housewife. In October of 1928, they had their first child, John, who was born at Swedish American Hospital. Their family lived at 924 8th Street. In 1940, Astrid was placed in Elgin Mental Institution. The reasons for her entering the hospital are unknown. From what I gathered, she was put under severe pressure from her husband concerning other women he was seeing. Joel visited her hardly at all during her life at the institution. My father was only 12 years old when she entered the hospital and it really hurt him throughout his childhood years and teens. My father only visited her once when he was 17 years old. Astrid did not even reconize him as her son. She had lost almost all of her memory and was getting worse. My father was deeply hurt and never visited her again.

Joel purchased a bar in his early 50's which was called The Golden Tavern, located at 630 7th Street. He sold that after a couple years of business, saying saying that it took too many hours of work. He then became bartender and grounds keeper at the Elida Lodge until he retired. While our family was vacationing in

New York City on July 25 in 1967, we recieved word that Astrid had passed away in the Elgin Mental Institution. We had her body froze for two weeks until we got back from our vacation to attend her funeral. She had died from a heart attack. Two years later on October 1, 1969, Joel died after a short illness.

ERIC CARLSON
(Mother's Father)

My grandfather, Eric Carlson, was born on November 11, 1894, in Norrsundet, Sweden. Norrsundet is located south of Stockholm on the cost of the Bothnia Sea. It is a small fishing village with very little industry. Eric's life as a boy was spent entirely on the shore line being fasinated by the incoming ships from sea. He loved to fish and often helped ships unload their catch. Eric only had schooling up to the sixth grade and tried to skip school whenever possible. Eric's mother and father were quite strict and would punish their children when they thought necessary. Eric had one younger sister named Judith and one older brother named Stan. Judith was five years younger than Eric and Stan was two years older than Eric. When Eric turned eighteen he and brother, Stan, set off towards America by themselves. Their reasons for leaving are unknown. They explored mostly around the midwest including Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Minnesota, and Iowa. They roamed from state to state finding add jobs as they ventured. Hopping box cars and hitching rides was not uncommon for their means of transportation. They ended up settling down here in Rockford where they rented a small apartment and purchased a car together. Eric was then employed as a molder at Forbes Foundry while Stan got interested in the Real Estate Business and aquired a job

in that field by a fellow friend.

Stan had to keep an eye on Eric because he made very little in wages and would ofter spend his money unwisely. In. 1916, Eric and Stan built a small home on 18th Avenue. Eric continued to work at Forbes Foundry and in 1927 he met Beda Nyman at a local dance in Belvidere. Eric and Beda continued dating for about seven to eight months intil Eric asked for her hand in marriage. She accepted and they were wed on October 4, 1925, in Belvidere, Illinois.

BEDA CARLSON (NYMAN)
(Mother's Mother)

Beda Carlson was born on June 17, 1898, here in Rockford. Her parents had moved from Sweden in the summer of 1889 and resided in Rockford for better work and wages. They arrived in Rockford not having any friends or relatives in the entire United States. They moved into an upstairs apartment at 1348 6th Avenue. Beda was the youngest of her three brothers and one sister. Beda attended John Nelson School located at 10th Avenue and 9th Street in 1905 and started in first grade and continued through the fourth grade and continued her education at White School located at 10th avenue and 4th Street. John Nelson School was a first through fourth grade school consisting of four rooms. It is now being used as a furniture store. Beda continued her education through the sixth grade, which at that time she quit for no definite reason other than to help her parents work.

In the summer of 1911, Beda's parents and her three brothers went back to Sweden to visit for a few months while Beda and her sister stayed with a neighbor lady. Beda and her sister were very much afraid to travel on a boat across the wide ocean so they chose to stay home.

When Beda was sixteen years old, she recieved a job at Bennents Box Factory, earning wages of $1.00 to $2.00 a day. After a few years she quit and moved to another

job at Zelk's Box Factory putting colored paper inside boxes and attaching covers to them. She continued working there until she met Eric Carlson. Within a year of their meeting they were married. Beda wanted to wait a couple of years before they got married, but Eric decided against it, so Beda did not want to miss her chance, so they proceded to get married on August 4, 1928.

Eric Carlson and Beda Nyman

These two had met at a local dance in Belvidere. They soon after got married on Agust 4, 1928. During their life there was not much excitement for the fact they did not travel at all or spend much money. They did not even take a honeymoon for they could not afford one at the time. That next year they had their first and only child, Arlene, whom was born on October 16, 1929. They spoiled Arlene terribly while she was young. Their family lived at 1348 6th Avenue. They sent Arlene out to work when she was very young because they could not give enough support themselves to her. While Eric was still working at Version Knitting Company and Beda was a baker at Sunbean Bakery they saved their money wisely. In 1939, they purchased a brand new home at 2938 Lapey Street paying $3,500 for it. After that they just led a leisurable life. Eric liked to tinker with his ~~his~~ cars and he went through many kinds of cars during his lifetime. But Eric would never go on any long trips with his cars. Eric also drove very poor so my grandmother was always afraid when he got behind a wheel of a car. Eric did not believe in car insurance at all and he never had any through his entire lifetime. As much as my father tried to persuade him that insurance was necessary in life. Still my stubborn grandfather seized to believe in it. My grandfather died of a short illness in 1965, in his home in the middle of the night. My grandmother still lives alone at 2938 Lapey Street.

JOHN ADDEN
(My Father)

My father, John Adden, was born on October 28, 1928, in Swedish American Hospital here in Rockford. He first lived at 924 8th Avenue. When he turned four his parents moved to 1132 12th Avenue. Here he lived and attended Nelson School. When in seventh grade he started his first job. He helped sort clothes and starch them at Broadway Laundry. While my father had been working a couple of months the laundry was robbed one day while my father was working of $18 and some change by two masked bandits. My father's parents insisted he quit after this terrible incident. He quit the next day and once more his parents moved. They now resided at 1852 Hutchins Avenue. My Father then got a paper route while he attended Lincoln Junior High School. In 1940 my father's mother, Astrid, was placed in Elgin Mental Institution due to family problems. She could not take the situation at home any longer so when my father was twelve years old she was placed in the institution. At fourteen my father quit the paper route and once again he and his father moved. His new home was located at 704 8th Street. My father needing money, recieved a job as a soda clerk at the 7th Street Sweet Shop. My father enjoyed the job very much but soon after a few month of working there he quit due to the low wages he recieved. He then found a job

at the Sunbeam Bakery. Here he met Arlene Carlson when he was sixteen years old. Both my father and Arlene worked on the same powdering machine for donuts. My father quit this job after a year of working there and was then hired at Shoulstrom, Son Roofing Company where he worked as a roofer and recieved much better wages than anywhere else he has previously worked. During his working at Shoulstrom, Son he attended East High School and occasionally dated Arlene Carlson whom also attended East. He then quit school while in the eleventh grade to attend work full time. He eventually enlisted on 1945 into the Marine Corps. After two weeks of training he recieved an honorable discharge due to a crooked tooth in his mouth.

ARLENE CARLSON
(My Mother)

My mother, Arlene, was born on October 16, 1929, at Swedish American Hospital in Rockford. My mother was the first and only child of her family. She lived here in Rockford at 1348 6th Avenue. She attended White Grade School which is located at 10th Street and 4th Avenue. In 1939 when Arlene was ten, her parents purchased a freshly built home at 2938 Lapey Street. They felt the move was necessary due to the poor condition of their old house. Their new home was of medium size with a large upstairs attic easily convertible onto bedrooms of necessary. They purchased this home for $3,500. They paid $25 a month towards their loan contract. When Arlene was fourteen she got her first job working at a Florist Shop on Longwood Street here in Rockford. She had a variety of duties to perform from sweeping floors to arranging floral arrangements. She earned 95¢ an hour. After a few months she quit that job and looking for a better paying job went to work at Davies Dry Goods as a sales clerk with a hourly pay of $1.15. When she turned 15 she moved to a job at Sunbeam Bakery due to her unlikeness for her boss at Davies Dry Goods. Here at the bakery she would powder donuts. Here is where she met John Adden who was working on the same machine. Arlene attended Lincoln Junior High School then East High School. My mother was also noted for being the first girl in Rockford to have a paper route.

Kerry Adden

I was born on July 12, 1956 here in Rockford Illinois I was the third child in our family. I was brought up in the usual manner. I started kintergarden when I was five years old at P.A. Peterson elemeintary school located at 2122 8th street. I took the bus to school until I was old enough to ride my bike. Baseball was my favorite sport all through my school years. I then went to Jefferson Jr. High School after finishing 6th grade at Peterson grade school. I remained at Jefferson through 7th and 8th grades till my family moved from 2942 Lapey st. our present address to a new home at 328 Hollister Ave. in the summer of 1971. I then attended East High school on Charles St. from 9th grade till graduating from it on June 11, 1974. I was envolved in basketball and baseball throughout my years at East. My first job I had was working at Villa Capri Resteraunt located on Charles St. I recieved 1.00 an hour and worked on Friday and Saturday nights from 4:45 p.m. to sometimes 3:00 in the mourning. I was in 9th grade at the time and after a few months of it I found out what a mistake I was making by working there and ruining my entire weekends so I quit. The summer between my somprore year and junior year I recieved a job at Grant Park Pharmacy located on Kishwaukee Street. As of today I am still employed there as assisdent manager. I got the job from my older brother Brad who had previously worked there before entering college. My two older brothers -

Steve who is 25 years old and Brad 22 years old are both living in Rockford. Steve is working for Dickerson Realtors, where he as been working since he graduated from Western Illi--nois University. Brad just finished graduating from W.I.U and is now employed by the YMCA in Belvidere. My one only sister is 12 years old and is attending Lincoln Middle School as a 8th grader.

My hobby's and sports are mainly centered on motorcycling and snow skiing. In the summer months my 125 cc Harley Davidson Trailbike and I often escape into the woods of Northern Wisconsin and southern Minnesota with my friends. In the winter months I just love to ski. Having just purchashed a pair of racing skis, I'm on the verge of learning of competitive racing in the field of snow skiing. I ran very many ski trips from East High School to the local resorts in central Wisconsin. I had from two to three full buses each trip. I was able to earn a large sum of money which helped pay for my ski trip out to Salt Lake City, Utah which I took this past Christmas with a fellow group of kids. I am now a freshman at Rock Valley College and am earning a two year degree in Buisness Marketing. My future plans include in moving to Australia in the summer of 1976.

ALLEN, BYRON, 1955-

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4. Please check all regions of the United States in which members of your family whom you have discussed in your paper have lived.

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____ Professions ____ Industrial labor X Other

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____ Photographs ____ Maps ____ Other

FAMILY DATA

A. Grandfather (your father's side)

Name Byron Allen Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death 7-13-1953

Place of birth _____ Date of Birth 11-27-1889

Education (number of years):
grade school 8 high school 3 vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Farmer Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion Methodist

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Republican

Place of Marriage to your grandmother [illegible] date [illegible]

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (A-1)

B. Grandmother (your father's side)

Name Bonnie Hay Allen Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death 3-27-1935

Place of birth _____ Date of birth 10-20-1890

Education (number of years):
grade school 9 high school 8 vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Schoolteacher Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd Housewife & Mother Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion Methodist

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. Republican

Place of marriage to your grandfather Bradford, Ill. DATE June 7, 1913

Note: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (A-2).

A-1 Stepgrandfather (your father's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of Birth _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandmother _____ date _____

A-2 Stepgrandmother (your father's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____

Education (number of years):
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ Date _____

Grandfather (your mother's side)

Name Lee Prior Current Residence Sheffield, Ill.
If dead, date of death

Place of birth Buda, Ill. Date of birth 6-8-1890
Education (number of years):
grade school 8 high school vocational college

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Farmer Dates 1st Dates

2nd Dates 2nd Dates

3rd Dates 3rd Dates

4th Dates 4th Dates

Religion Methodist
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc.

Place of marriage to your grandmother date
Note: If your mother was raised by a ~~stepfather or another relative (to age 18)~~ [illegible]
give that data on the back of this page (C-1)

Grandmother (your mother's side)

Name Emma Martin Prior Current Residence
If dead, date of death 2-19-1972

Place of birth Buda, Ill. Date of birth 6-18-1890
Education (number of years)
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational college

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Housewife & Mother Dates 1st Dates

2nd Dates 2nd Dates

3rd Dates 3rd Dates

Religion Methodist
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. Replican

Place of marriage to your grandfather Waynet, Ill. date
Note: If your mother was raised by a stepmother or another relative (to age 18)
give that data on the back of this page (D-2)

C-1 Stepgrandfather (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates ____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates ____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates ____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates ____

Religion _____
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandmother _____ date _____

D-2 Stepgrandmother (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates ____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates ____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates ____

Religion _____
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ Date _____

CHILDREN of A & B (or A-1 or B-1) - your father's name should appear below

1. Name Margaret
Place of birth Tiskawa, Ill. date 5-31-1914
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation works in kitchen in nursing home
Residence Princeton, Ill. Marital Status Widow
Number of children 2

2. Name Howard Allen
Place of birth Tiskawa, Ill date 8-14-1917
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Farmer
Residence Bradford, Ill. Marital Status Married
Number of children 0

3. Name Harold Allen
Place of birth Tiskawa, Ill. date 8-10-1919
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation manager of Winnebago Service Co.
Residence Rockford, Ill. Marital Status Married
Number of children 5

4. Name Mable Hensel
Place of birth Tiskawa, Ill. date 8-7-1922
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation
Residence Largo, Fla. Marital Status Widow
Number of children 1

5. Name Mary Magnusen
Place of birth Tiskawa, Ill. date 4-14-1933
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation
Residence Tiskawa, Ill. Marital Status Married
Number of children 1

6. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

7. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

8. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

9. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

10. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

CHILDREN of C and D (or C-1, D-1)-your mother's name should appear below

1. Name Geraldine Prior (Allen)
Place of birth Buda, Ill. date 12-8-1918
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Housewife
Residence Rockford, Ill. Marital Status Married
Number of children 5

2. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

3. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

4. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

5. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

6. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

7. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
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Number of children

8. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

9. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

10. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

Your Father

Name Harold Allen Current Residence Rockford, Ill.
If dead, date of death

Place of birth Tiskawa, Ill. Date of birth 8-10-1919
Education (number of years)
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational college

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Military Dates Nov. 1943 1st Dates
2nd Farmer Dates 2nd Dates
3rd Employee Farm Servi Dates 3rd Dates
4th Dates 4th Dates

Religion Methosist

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Republican

Place of marriage to your mother Princeton, Ill. date 6-4-1944
NOTE: If you were raised by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (E-2)

Your Mother

Name Geraldine Allen Current Residence Rockford, Ill.
If dead, date of death

Place of birth Buda, Ill. Date of birth 12-8-1918
Education (number of years)
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational college

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st worked in munitions plant WWII Dates 1st Dates
2nd Dates 2nd Dates
3rd Dates 3rd Dates

Religion Methodist
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. Republican, Circle Group Grace Methodist Church

Place of marriage to your father Princeton, Ill. date 6-4-1944
NOTE: If you were raised by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (F-2).

E-1 Stepfather

Name _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____
Religion
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your mother _____ Date _____

F-2 Stepmother

Name _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____
Religion
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your father _____ date _____

CHILDREN of E and F (or E-2, F-2) - your name should appear below

Name Janet A. Frey
Place of birth Walnut, Ill. Date of birth 5-17-1945
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation
Residence Tawanda, Ill. Marital Status Married
Number of children 1

Name Carol Martin
Place of birth Walnut, Ill. Date of birth 3-29-1947
Number of years of schooling Masters Degree EMH Occupation Spec. ED. Teacher
Residence Normal, Ill. Marital Status Divorced
Number of children 0

Name Barry Allen
Place of birth Princeton, Ill. Date of birth 4-4-1950
Number of years of schooling 12½ Occupation Draftsmen
Residence Rockford, Ill. Marital Status Single
Number of children 0

Name Kay Allen
Place of birth Princeton, Ill. Date of birth 7-14-1951
Number of years of schooling 13 Occupation Plaque Control Asst/
Residence Rockford, Ill. Marital Status Single
Number of children 0

Name Byron Allen
Place of birth Princeton, Ill. Date of birth 9-8-1955
Number of years of schooling 13 Occupation Student
Residence Rockford, Ill. Marital Status Single
Number of children 0

Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

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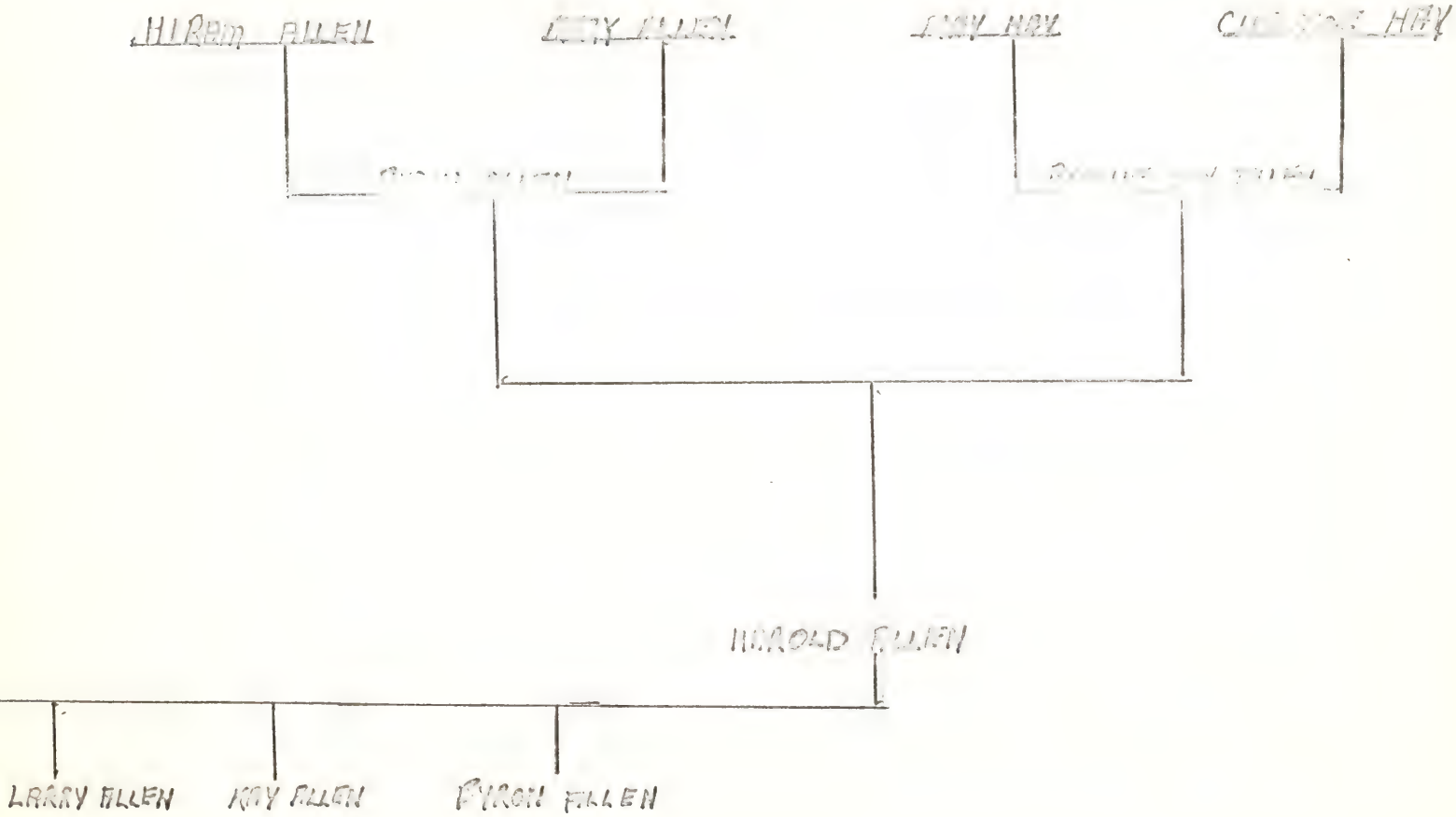
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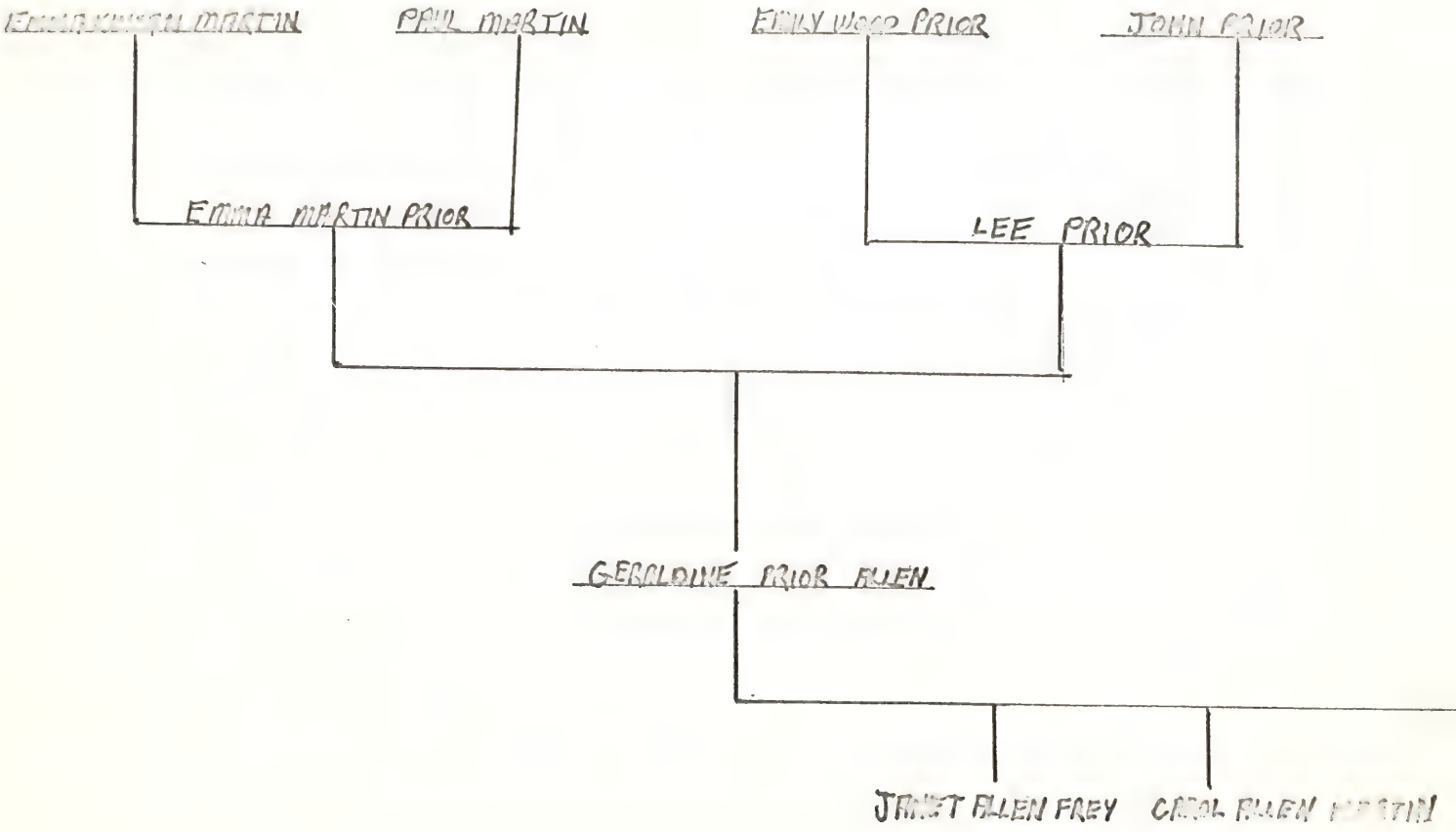
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CAROL ALLEN MARTIN

[illegible] - [illegible]; D. [illegible]

[illegible]: [illegible]

[illegible]: [illegible], [illegible].

[illegible]: [illegible]

[illegible] - [illegible]; D. [illegible]

[illegible]: [illegible]

[illegible]: [illegible], Ill.

Marriage Status: Married to [illegible]

[illegible] - B. 11-27-1[illegible]; D. 7-1[illegible]

[illegible] of [illegible] and [illegible]

Occupation: [illegible]

Residence: [illegible], Ill.

Political [illegible]: Republican

Religion: Methodist

Marriage Status: 1. Married to Bonnie May Allen 2. Nell ~~Crooks~~ FIFE Allen

Clarence May- B. 2-9-1866; D. 1-26-1951

Occupation; Farmer

Marriage Status; Married to May Hay

May Hay- B. 11-7-1867; D. 3-2-1945

Occupation; Housewife

Marriage Status; Married to Clarence May - child Bonnie May

Bonnie May Allen- B. 10-20-1920; D. 3-27-1935

[illegible] cont't.

Occupation: Schoolteacher and Housewife

[illegible], Ill.

Political [illegible]

Religion: [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] D. ---

[illegible]

[illegible], Ill.

Political [illegible]: Republican

Religion: [illegible]

Marriage [illegible]

[illegible] D. [illegible]-1917: [illegible] ---

Occupation - Farmer and salesman for a farm in [illegible]

[illegible], Ill.

Residence - [illegible], Ill.

Political [illegible] - [illegible]

Religion - [illegible]

Marriage [illegible]

[illegible] D. [illegible]-1917: [illegible] ----

Occupation: [illegible], [illegible], Ill.

Residence: [illegible], Ill.

Political [illegible]: Republican

Religion: [illegible]

Marriage Status: [illegible] Prior [illegible] - [illegible]

Janet, [illegible], [illegible], [illegible], Byron

[illegible] - B. [illegible]; D. ---

[illegible]

Residence: [illegible], Ill.

Political [illegible]

[illegible]ion; [illegible]

Marriage Status; [illegible]

[illegible] - B. [illegible]; D. ---

Occupation; [illegible]

Residence; [illegible], Ill.

Political Party; [illegible]

Religion; [illegible]

Marriage Status; [illegible] - 1 child

[illegible]:

Paul [illegible]- B. 12-[illegible]; D. [illegible]

Occupation: Farmer

Residence: Sheffield, Ill.

Marriage Status; Married to [illegible]

[illegible] Martin- B. 3-[illegible]; D. 19[illegible]

Occupation: Housewife

Residence: Sheffield, Ill.

Marriage Status; Married to Paul - daughter Emma

John Prior- B. 3-6-1851; D. 4-24-1914

Occupation; Farmer

Residence; 1. England

2. Wyanet, Ill.

[illegible] cont'd.

Religion: Methodist

Marriage Status; Married to Phil Wood

Phil Wood Trior- B. 10-[illegible]-1[illegible]6; D. 11-[illegible]-1905

Occupation: Housewife

Residence; Wyanet, Ill.

Marriage Status; Married to John Trior - son Lee Trior

Lee Trior- B. 6-[illegible]-1[illegible]; D.---

Occupation- Farmer (now retired)

Residence; Sheffield, Ill.

Political Party; Republican

Religion; Methodist

Marriage Status; Married to Emma Martin

Emma Martin Trior- B. 6-18-1[illegible]; D. 2-12-1972

Occupation: Housewife

Residence: Sheffield, Ill.

Political Party: Republican

Religion: Methodist

Marriage Status: Married to Lee Trior - 1 daughter ([illegible])

[illegible] Allen- B. 1[illegible]-1[illegible]; D.---

Occupation: Housewife

Residence: [illegible], Ill.

Political Party: Republican

Religion; Methodist

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] - [illegible] 5-1[illegible]; D.---

Occupation; [illegible]

Residence; [illegible], Ill.

Political Party; [illegible]

Religion; [illegible]

Marriage Status; Married to Clifford [illegible] - 1 child

[illegible] -B. [illegible]; D. ---

Occupation; Spec. Ed. Teacher

Residence; Normal, Ill.

Political Party; Independent

Religion; Methodist

Marriage Status; Divorced - no children

[illegible] Allen- B. 4-4-1950; D.---

Occupation; Draftsman

Residence; Rockford, Ill.

Political Party; Independent

Religion; Methodist

Marriage Status; Single

[illegible] Allen - B. 7-14-1951; D. ---

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[illegible] family was lived in and around Bradford and Tiskawa, Ill. [illegible] for many years. [illegible] farmer for many years. [illegible] his own farm so therefore he had no farm to leave to his [illegible] Allen. This made things difficult for Byron Allen, a short [illegible], but finding another tenant [illegible] just outside of Bradford, Byron [illegible] wife Bonnie [illegible]. Byron and Bonnie raised five children [illegible] farm which didn't recieve electricity till after 1930. Byron ruled his family with strict but fair hand. He later earned the nickname of "Bossy" which was given to him by a hired-hand. Two years after the birth of their last child Bonnie died leaving Byron with his family. Shortly after Bonnie died the husband of Nell ~~Brooks~~ Bute also died. Byron and Nell got together and soon after they married. Byron survied the depression pretty good. He stayed on his farm [illegible] and put his children through highschool. His two sons Harold and Howard stayed on the farm to help with the work. Although there was alot of farm work to b[illegible] Harold [illegible] to get away and do some extra work on the neighboring [illegible] in an effort to replace the dirt road that they lived on.

[illegible] Harold [illegible] sons went into the [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] Harold [illegible] [illegible] Arlene.

[illegible] Harold [illegible] [illegible] of England. [illegible] [illegible] a better life is [illegible] brought John over [illegible]. John married [illegible] of the [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] named Geraldine Prior. Geraldine was never [illegible] brothers or sisters. This made things quite a bit harder for [illegible] leaving her with all the extra chores of making butter and many of the other things that go along with running both a dairy and crop farm. Geraldine had many medical problems when she was young. This made farming even ~~more~~ harder for Lee and Emma. Well Lee never did get over his "horse-trading" characteristic which began to show up in his selling of farms frequently. Credit was so easy to obtain in the 1920's that anybody wanting to sell or buy something had no trouble arranging the transaction. This is how Lee and Emma, like many other people of that day, lost almost every thing they had. Just before the depression hit Lee sold a farm he had for a bigger one. He went and got credit to purchase a 165 acre farm in the Sheffield area. They moved to the farm and within a couple years the depression hit and hit hard.

prices went down on farm products and it was getting very hard for anyone to sell at the [illegible] at any kind of a profit. So he sold his farm at a definite loss. After [illegible] farming for [illegible] he was able to get back on his feet enough to buy [illegible]. Then in [illegible] Geraldine married a Marine sergeant by [illegible] of Harold Allen.

[illegible] and Geraldine [illegible] to [illegible] Island, South Carolina, [illegible] II was over [illegible] that [illegible] Harold was [illegible] his discharge from the [illegible], Ill., [illegible] live on a farm [illegible] Carol [illegible]. They had their first [illegible], Janet, and [illegible] moved to [illegible], Ill., [illegible] their second child, [illegible]. Harold [illegible] a job as a fuel oil truck driver for [illegible] Service Co. As their family started to grow Harold [illegible] decided to move to a [illegible] in Princeton, Ill. In [illegible] a third child was born to them. This one was a boy [illegible] named Larry [illegible] Allen.

Not [illegible] a year after the birth of Larry they had another [illegible] named [illegible] Allen. [illegible] little [illegible] into [illegible] room.

[illegible] years later in 1955 Carol [illegible] named [illegible]. [illegible] this time Harold [illegible] job [illegible] as a sales [illegible], Ill. He took [illegible]

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[illegible] of 19[illegible]. There was [illegible] but the only traditions [illegible] in the [illegible] were the [illegible] and the fact that [illegible] church. Tradition is [illegible] on the bride [illegible] it is [illegible] suggestion. The second [illegible] was Janet's [illegible] Free of [illegible], Ill. [illegible] was carried out in [illegible]. The [illegible] was [illegible] in the church [illegible].

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[illegible] are only two [illegible] on the [illegible] name. [illegible] two [illegible] years old [illegible] marrying and Byron who is [illegible] and plans on [illegible] college before he ever [illegible]es.

ANDERSON, COLIN LEE, 1943-

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I. FAMILY DATA

A. Grandfather (your father's side)

Name Anderson, Andrew B. Current Residence Deceased
If dead, date of death 1918

Place of birth Lee County, Illinois Date of Birth 1881

Education (number of years):
grade school 6 high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Farmer	Dates 1893-1918	1st Lee County, Illinois	Dates 1881 to 1887
2nd	Dates	2nd Lake Preston, S.D.	Dates 1887 to 1907
3rd	Dates	3rd Tuttle, N.D.	Dates 1907 to 1918
4th	Dates	4th	Dates

Religion Lutheran

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Unknown

Place of Marriage to your grandmother Lake Preston, S. Dakota date May, 1904

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (A-1)

B. Grandmother (your father's side)

Name Boemdollen, Anna (Olson) Current Residence Deceased
If dead, date of death 3, July, 1962

Place of birth Lake Preston, S. Dakota Date of birth 6, July, 1886

Education (number of years):
grade school 6 high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Housewife	Dates till 1918	1st Lake Preston, S.D.	Dates till 1907
2nd Domestic	Dates 1918-1951	2nd Tuttle, N. Dakota	Dates 1907 - 1919
3rd Retired	Dates 1951-1962	3rd Lake Preston, S.D.	Dates 1919 - 1955
4th	Dates	4th	Dates

Religion Lutheran

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. Republican Party, Church Groups

Place of marriage to your grandfather Lake Preston, S.D. DATE May, 1904

Note: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (A-2).

Grandfather (your mother's side)

Name Burg, Peter Current Residence Deceased
If dead, date of death 1918

Place of birth Unknown Date of birth 1887
Education (number of years):
grade school ? high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Unknown Dates _____ 1st Chicago, Illinois Dates Till 1918

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion Unknown
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Unknown

Place of marriage to your grandmother Unknown date ?
Note: If your mother was raised by a stepfather or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (C-1)

Grandmother (your mother's side)

Name Hanson, Mabel Current Residence Deceased
If dead, date of death 1918

Place of birth Unknown Date of birth 1889
Education (number of years)
grade school ? high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Unknown Dates _____ 1st Chicago, Illinois Dates Till 1918

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

Religion Lutheran
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. Unknown

Place of marriage to your grandfather Unknown date ?
Note: If your mother was raised by a stepmother or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (D-2)

-1 Stepgrandfather (your mother's side)

Name Ringheim, Andrews Current Residence Deceased
If dead, date of death 10, October, 1953

Place of birth Voss, Norway Date of birth 1866
Education (number of years)
grade school ? high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)			PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)		
1st Farmer	Dates	Till - 1937	1st Newark, Illinois	Dates	1901 - 1912
2nd Retired	Dates	1937 - 1953	2nd Brookings, S. Dakota	Dates	1912 - 1914
3rd	Dates		3rd LeRoy Township, Ill.	Dates	1914 - 1935
4th	Dates		4th Capron, Illinois	Dates	1935 - 1938

Religion Lutheran
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Republican

Place of marriage to your grandmother LeRoy Township, McHenry County, Illinois date 1901

-2 Stepgrandmother (your mother's side)

Name Schulestad, Anna Current Residence Deceased
If dead, date of death 1, September, 1938

Place of birth Voss, Norway Date of birth 1, December, 1877
Education (number of years)
grade school ? high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)			PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)		
1st Housewife	Dates	Till - 1938	1st Newark, Illinois	Dates	1901 - 1912
2nd	Dates		2nd Brookings, S. Dakota	Dates	1912 - 1914
3rd	Dates		3rd LeRoy Township, Ill.	Dates	1914 - 1935

Religion Lutheran Capron, Illinois 1935-1938
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. None other than church

Place of marriage to your grandfather LeRoy Township, Illinois Date 1901

CHILDREN of A & B (or A-1 or B-1) - your father's name should appear below

1. Name Anderson Arnt Oliver
Place of birth Lake Preston, S Dakota date 3, November, 1907
Number of years of schooling 8 Occupation Farmer
Residence Harvard, Illinois Marital Status Married
Number of children 3 boys (Three)

2. Name Anderson (Mordt) Mary
Place of birth Lake Preston, S Dakota date 2, March, 1905
Number of years of schooling 8 Occupation Housewife
Residence Belvidere, Ill. Marital Status Widow
Number of children 4 (Four)

3. Name Anderson, Gilbert
Place of birth Tuttle, North Dakota date 21, September, 1909
Number of years of schooling 8 Occupation Farmer and general labor
Residence Melborne, Ark. Marital Status Married
Number of children 4 (Four)

4. Name Anderson, Peter E.
Place of birth Tuttle, North Dakota date 4, April, 1911
Number of years of schooling 8 Occupation Construction
Residence Wichita, Kansas Marital Status Married
Number of children 7 (Seven)

5. Name Anderson, (Oliver) Jennie
Place of birth Tuttle, North Dakota date 3, April, 1913
Number of years of schooling 14 Occupation Teacher - Housewife
Residence Canton, S. Dakota Marital Status Married
Number of children 4 (Four)

6. Name Anderson, Albert
Place of birth Tuttle, North Dakota date 1915
Number of years of schooling 8 Occupation Carpenter
Residence Lake Preston, S Dak. Marital Status Married
Number of children 4 (Four)

7. Name Anderson, (Whorton) Annie
Place of birth Tuttle, North Dakota date 27, December, 1917
Number of years of schooling 12 Years Occupation Housewife
Residence Melborne, Ark. Marital Status Married
Number of children 5 (Five)

8. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

9. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

10. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

CHILDREN of C and D (or C-1, D-1)-your mother's name should appear below

1. Name Berg, Alice Ruth
Place of birth Chicago, Illinois date 5, March, 1914
Number of years of schooling 12 Years Occupation Housewife-cook-Domestic
Residence Harvard, Illinois Marital Status Married
Number of children 3 (Three)

2. Name Berg, Irene
Place of birth Chicago, Illinois date Unknown
Number of years of schooling Unknown Occupation Unknown
Residence Unknown Marital Status Unknown
Number of children Unknown

3. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

4. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

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Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
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10. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

Your Father

Name Anderson, Arnt Oliver Current Residence Harvard, Illinois
If dead, date of death

Place of birth Lake Preston, S. Dakota Date of birth 3 November 1907
Education (number of years)
grade school 8 high school vocational college

Occupation(s)

1st	Farmer	Dates 1918-1957	1st	Lake Preston, S. Dak.	Dates Till-1929
	State of Illinois	1957-1965			
2nd	Hi-Way Maintenance	Dates 1968-1974	2nd	Harvard, Illinois	Dates 1929-Present
3rd	Machine Operator	Dates 1965-1968	3rd		Dates
4th	Retired	Dates 1974-	4th		Dates

PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

Religion Lutheran

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Republican, Grange, several church groups

Place of marriage to your mother Capron, Illinois date 20 July 1936

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Your Mother

Name Berg, Alice Ruth Current Residence Harvard, Illinois
If dead, date of death

Place of birth Chicago, Illinois Date of birth 5 March 1914
Education (number of years)
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational college

Occupation(s)

1st	Housewife	Dates 1936-1974	1st	Capron, Boone County Ill.	Dates 1918-1936
2nd	Dietician	Dates 1956-1970	2nd	Harvard, McHenry Co.	Dates 1936-1975
3rd	Domestic	Dates 1970-1975	3rd		Dates

PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

Religion Lutheran

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. Republican Party, Church groups, Grange

Place of marriage to your father Capron, Illinois date 20 July 1936

NOTE: If you were raised by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (F-2).

CHILDREN of E and F (or E-2, F-2) - your name should appear below

Name Anderson, Colin Lee
Place of birth Harvard, Illinois Date of birth 14 October 1943
Number of years of schooling 14 Occupation Policemen
Residence Loves Park, Illinois Marital Status Married
Number of children 2 (Two)

Name Anderson, Paul Arnet
Place of birth Harvard, Illinois Date of birth 21 December 1938
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Ni-Gas Company
Residence Belvidere, Illinois Marital Status Married
Number of children 3 (Three)

Name Anderson, Dean A.
Place of birth Harvard, Illinois Date of birth 27 July 1937
Number of years of schooling 19 Occupation Social Worker
Residence Springfield, Illinois Marital Status Married
Number of children 3 (Three)

Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

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Place of birth Date of birth
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Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

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ın 14 October 1943
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Arnt O. Anderson
Father

B 3 November 1907
M 20 July 1936
D

Andrew B. Anderson
Grandfather

B 1881
M May 1904
D 1918

Peder Anderson
Great grandfather

B 1841
M Unknown
D 1913 Winter

Ingaborg Lee
Great grandmother

B 1845
D 1915-1920

(Olson)
Arnie Boemdollen

B
M 1883
D

(Olson)
Anna Boemdollen
Grandmother

B 6 July 1886
D 3 July 1962

Louise Stenson

B 1867
D

B
M
D

B
D

Alice R. Berg
Mother

B 5 March 1914
M 20 July 1936
D

Peter Burg
Grandfather
B 1887
M Unknown
D 1918

Hans Hanson

B Unknown
M Unknown
D 1940

Mabel Hanson
Grandmother

B 1889
D 1918

B
D

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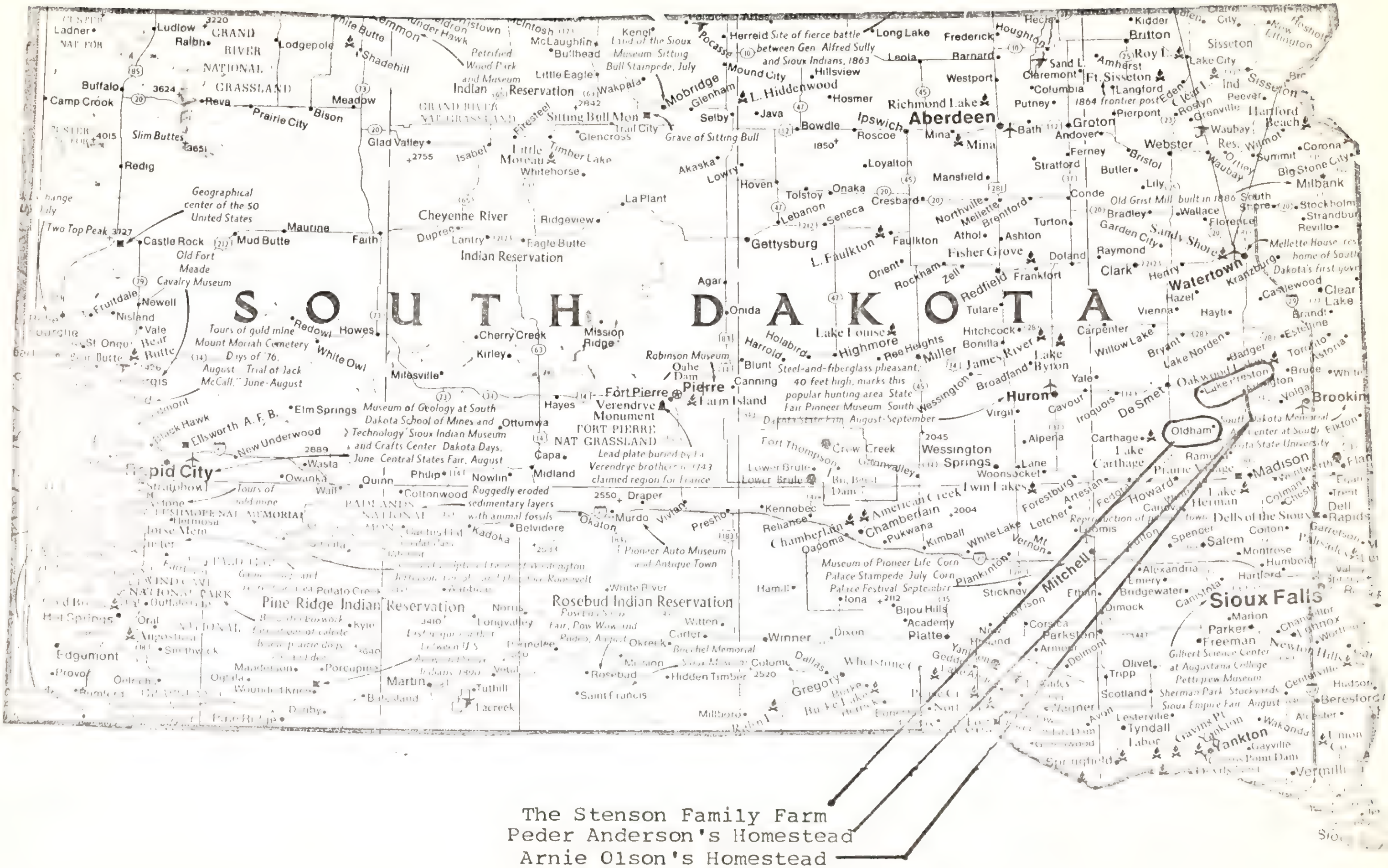
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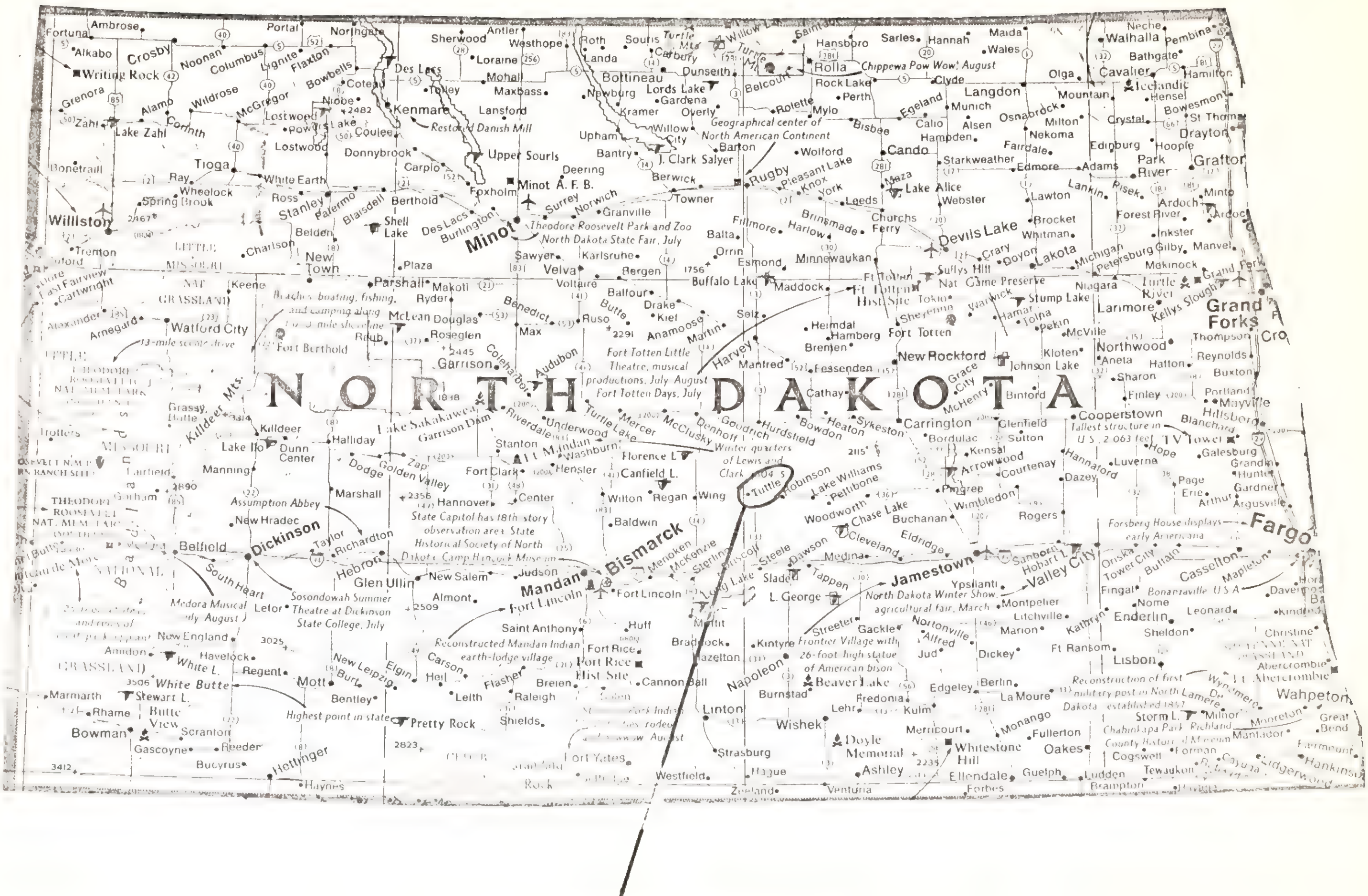
Arnie Olson's Homestead



Andrew B. Anderson's Homestead

Peder B. Anderson

My Great-Grandfather

Peder was born in the rural community of Voss, Norway in 1841. Voss is a very small town located on the west coast of Norway near the city of Berger.

This area produced such things as barley and hay. I have been told that they were placed on tall poles to dry. This was done to keep it away from animals and because of the climate.

Sheep and cattle were also raised in this area. They would be taken up in the hills to graze every spring. This was the job of the younger boys. Peder was of a farm family as were the majority of the people in this area.

It is not known if Peder had any formal schooling during his youth. In Norway during this time the education was handled by the church or in the home by the parents.

Children learned to ski and ice skate at an early age and this was a main form of recreation. A lot fishing was done (mostly Sardines) both for food and fun.

Peder had relatives already in the United States. He had a older brother in New York and a sister in Montana. Upon hearing from them as to the great new country, he decided to also make the trip.

Peder arrived in the United States around 1861 after a long boat trip. All the food for the boat trip had to be brought by the passengers. This food was normally transported in handmade round wooden barrels.

The ship he sailed on went by water directly to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Upon arrival in Milwaukee the passengers purchased wagons and supplies and headed west angling towards the south.

Peder first settled in the area of Aurora, Illinois in Lee County. It is not known how long he stayed in this area or how much, if any, land he had. Life must have looked more promising elsewhere because he left Lee County, Illinois to homestead at Lake Preston, Kingsbury County, South Dakota.

Peder arrived in the area of Lake Preston in 1879 and was engaged in farming the rest of his life.

Ingaborg Lee

My Great-Grandmother

Ingaborg was also born in Voss, Norway in about 1845. At a very young age both of her parents died from the plague, which had swept through Europe.

She was then raised by neighbors who were Peder Andersons parents. Peder and Ingaborg were raised almost as sister and brother.

Peder and Ingaborg came to the United States together but it is not known if they were married in the United States or in Norway.

Peder and Ingaborg Anderson

Their Life Together

After briefly settling in Lee County, Illinois near Aurora, they moved west to Lake Preston, South Dakota. (Kingsbury County)

At that time, homesteaders were only allowed to settle on 80 acres of land. To get more land, most families got two homesteads next to each other. Then they would put one in the husband's name and the other in the wife's name. This gave my grandparents a total of 160 acres to clear and farm.

During these years on the homestead, there was not much of a social life. Transportation was slow due to the fact that there were very few roads. To get around you had to walk or use a horse. The main gathering would be on Sundays for church services. There was no church building yet, so the people met in each other's homes.

As a result of there marriage, Peder and Ingaborg had seven children. There names are as follows: Joseph, Leander, Bertha, Lisse, Anna, and my Grandfather Andrew B. Anderson. There was also a unnamed girl that died at birth.

Peder and Ingaborg spent the rest of their lives in Lake Preston on their homestead.

Peder passed away during the winter of 1913 of natural causes. Ingaborg lived a few years more, living with several of her grown children.

Arnie Olson
Arnie Olson Boe
Arnie Olson Boemdollen

My Great-Grandfather

You will notice that my great-grandfather has three names. This was explained to me by my father as follows: The name Boemdollen was the name of the family farm in Norway and was used as the last name of the family. Upon migrating to the United States, Arnie shorten his last name to just Boe. After several years in this country, Arnie dropped the name of Boe and from then on used the name of Olson.

Arnie came to this country by ship in 1870 or 1871. He traveled directly to Lake Preston where he settled.

He used to tell how friends of his from Norway were taken off the arriving ships in New York and forced to join the army. This took place during Civil War. My great-grandfather luckily arrived just after the war.

Back in Norway the Boemdollen farm was located not far from the Anderson farm. However, to get from one to the other, the people had to cross a moutain which took about 3 days. The trip could also be made by boat, but this was considered somewhat dangerous.

Arnie was engaged in farming his entire life in the United States.

Arnie met his future wife after she moved to Oldham, South Dakota which is about 15 miles south of Lake Preston. They were married in the summer of 1883 in Oldham, South Dakota.

Louise Stenson

My Great-Grandmother

Louise was born in Western Norway in 1867. She arrived in this country as a child with her parents.

Upon their arrival they settled in Coon Valley, Wisconsin which is near LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

The family stayed there for several years prior to moving to a farm at Oldham, Kingsbury County, South Dakota. This was located about 15 miles South of Lake Preston and the Anderson family farm. The two families became acquainted and in the summer of 1883 Arnie and Louise were married.

The wedding took place in Oldham, Kingsbury County, South Dakota. The bride, at the time of the wedding, was only 16 years old. My father recalls her saying that she had been talked into marring at such an early age because there were too many kids in her family.

Arnie and Louise Olson

Their Life Together

Arnie and Louise met while both living in Kingsbury County, South Dakota. They were married in the summer of 1883 in Oldham, South Dakota at the home of her parents.

At the time of the marriage, they had purchased two 80 acre tracks of land from Arnie's brother. This land was located near Lake Preston, South Dakota. Arnie was engaged in farming the rest of his life.

There were thirteen children born of this marriage. All lived to adulthood except one, which was not named.

The first child was Tina born in 1885, next my grandmother Anna born in 1886. The following are: Martha, Jennie, Lina, John, Olie (1900), Albert, Ella, Elvina, Martin and finally Nellie, who was born in 1908 or 1909.

Andrew B. Anderson

My Grandfather

Andrew B. Anderson was born in Lee County, Illinois near Aurora in 1881. His parents had a farm there.

The family stayed there for sometime prior to going to South Dakota to homestead.

He lived the rest of his childhood on the farm near Lake Preston, Kingsbury County.

He attended a one room country school in the area through the elementary grades. It was often hard to attend classes in good weather because farm work came first.

There was little social life during this time for the young people besides the church functions.

Andrew and Anna Olson knew each other because of being raised in the same area. They were married in the Spring of 1904. The marriage took place in the North Preston Church, Lake Preston, South Dakota.

Anna B. Olson

My Grandmother

Anna B. Olson was born in Lake Preston, Kingbury County, South Dakota on the 6th of July, 1886.

She was the 2nd of thirteen children born in her family. She was raised on the family farm near Lake Preston.

Anna attended public schools near her home up to the 6th grade.

At the age of 17 she married Andrew B. Anderson in Lake Preston, South Dakota.

Andrew and Anna Anderson

After their marriage in the Spring of 1904, they bought a small farm near Lake Preston, South Dakota. (Kingsbury County)

On the 2nd of March, 1905, their first child, Mary, was born. On the 3rd of November, 1907, their second child, my father Arnt, was born.

Andrew realizing he had a growing family on his hands decided he needed more land. He had heard how cheaply land could be gotten in North Dakota. So in 1907, when my father was only 1 month old, they moved to Tuttle, North Dakota to homestead.

Andrew had purchased 80 acres of land near Tuttle for $400.00. His next move was to build a crude shelter to house his family. This farm was located about 7 miles west of Tuttle. Within one year a permanent home was built.

Tuttle was the largest city in the area with a population of almost 350 people.

Transportation was hard because there were few roads and they were in poor condition. Horses and wagons were main means of getting anywhere.

During the next 10 years, 5 more children were born to them: Gilbert 1909, Peter 1911, Jennie 1913, Albert 1915, and Annie in 1917.

Andrew was required to register for the draft in the early days of World War 1. He never was called to service because of the size of his family and his occupation as a farmer.

At harvest time, all the neighbors would work together to gather the grain. The grain would be loaded in wagons and driven to market. This trip would take one full day each way. For the return trip the wagons would be loaded with food and supplies to last the winter months. The winters in North Dakota were severe and the homesteaders had to be self-sufficient. Travel was severely curtail during the winter months.

Farming was not very profitable in this area because the land was not the best. The family was sometimes hard pressed to make their financial ends meet. Several times loans were made from the Tuttle Bank to tide them over to harvest time.

The Norwegian language was spoken in the home at all times. Andrew would received Norwegian newspapers from Minneapolis once a month. The older children did not come into contact with English till they started school.

Long hours of hard work left little time for recreation. The church was the main gathering place for the area and only Norwegian was spoken in the church.

During this time I learned that there was a strong hatred between the Norwegians and the Swedish people. They had as little to do with each other as possible. It was strictly forbidden to date each other. If a mixed marriage did take place they would find themselves almost social outcasts.

Their life continued about the same till 1918 when diaster struck. During this time a flu epidemic swept the mid-west. There were no doctors in the area of Tuttle to help fight the spread of the epidemic.

As a result many people died. Andrew B. Anderson was one of the victims. He was laid to rest in Tuttle, North Dakota.

The family had spent almost 11 years trying to homestead this hard land. After the death of Andrew it was impossible to continue farming the homestead because the oldest boy, my father, was only 11 years old.

The land was sold to help pay debts and the loan from the Tuttle Bank. There was little or no profit from the sale.

Anna Anderson and the seven children moved back to Lake Preston, South Dakota where most of their relatives lived. Back in Lake Preston they lived in a house owned by her father Arnie Olson.

Anna kept the family together by doing domestic work in the area. The children also worked on nearby relatives and neighbors farms.

All of the children managed to get at least an 8th grade education. However, to graduate from the 8th grade, they had to travel to the county seat at Mitchell, South Dakota to take a full day of tests. This was a long and hard trip to make in those days. Only two of the seven were able to make the trip, Jennie and Annie. Annie was able to complete high school and Jennie went on to a teachers college for two years.

In those days a 2 year college degree was sufficient to teach school. Jennie taught school until her marriage to Bruce Oliver of Canton, South Dakota.

Anna Anderson lived on in Lake Preston until all of her children were raised and married. She then moved to Canton, South Dakota and lived her remaining years with her son-in-law and daughter, Bruce and Jennie Oliver.

Anna passed away on 3 July, 1962. She was laid to rest in a cemetery about 3 miles southwest of Canton, South Dakota near the Oliver farm.

FIRST

MORTGAGE

NOTE.

$ [illegible] No. [illegible]

Andrew B. Anderson & Wife,

To Interstate

Securities Co.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

BUSINESS ESTABLISHED
1885.

INTEREST SIX PER CENT

Payable [illegible] 1st annually.

[illegible]

January [illegible], 1920.

SECURITY.

[illegible] 14-143-74,

[illegible] County, North Dakota.

BUY YOUR MORTGAGES OF THE
INTERSTATE SECURITIES CO.

Interstate Securities Company.

7273 1000.

FARM AND CITY

MORTGAGE LOANS

On the first day of January 19.20. without grace for value received, I promise to pay to the order of Interstate Securities Company at its office in Minneapolis, Minnesota

ONE THOUSAND Dollars

with exchange on New York with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum payable according to the terms of my coupon notes of even date herewith hereunto attached.

Both principal and coupon notes payable in gold coin of the United States of present standard weight and fineness. This note shall bear interest at ten per cent per annum after maturity payable annually or semi-annually, as before maturity.

In case of ten days default in payment of any installment of interest due on this note, the principal shall thereupon, at the option of the holder, become due and payable without notice. This note shall be construed according to the laws of the State in which the premises securing it are situated.

The full amount may be paid on the principal of this note at maturity of coupon No 3 or on any interest due date thereafter prior to maturity, and interest on such payments shall then cease.

Dated at Tuttle, N. Dak.

Jan. 28th, 1914.

Andrew [illegible]

Interstate Securities Co.
Minneapolis.

$60.00 Tuttle, N. Dak.

On the first day of January 1920, without grace for [illegible]
pay to the owner of my certain principal note for $1000.
number herewith made payable to INTERSTATE SECURITIES COMPANY
Sixty
with exchange on New York, at the office of said Company in Minneapolis [illegible]
interest on said principal note. This coupon bears interest at [illegible]
annum after maturity.
Loan No. 7273

Pay to the order of Bennie I. Mead
the within note and coupons thereto attached, without recourse.

Interstate Securities Company,
Per Eugene D. Barnett
Secy.

Pay to the order of _____
the within note and coupons thereto attached, without recourse.

_____

Securities Co.
Minneapolis.

$60.00 Tuttle, N. Dak, Jan. 28th, 1914.

On the first day of January 1920, without grace, for value received, I promise to pay to the owner of my certain principal note for $1000. of even date and number herewith, made payable to INTERSTATE SECURITIES COMPANY, the sum of Sixty Dollars, with exchange on New York, at the office of said Company in Minneapolis, Minn. being interest on said principal note. This coupon bears interest at ten per cent. per annum after maturity.

Loan No. 7073

[illegible]

10.40

$ 161.00 / 112.30

Hurdsfield, N. Dak., [illegible] 191

FOR VALUE RECEIVED [illegible] After Date

I promise to Pay to [illegible] or Order

[illegible] DOLLARS 100

at **Farmers & Merchants Bank,** Hurdsfield, North Dakota.

With interest payable annually from date at the rate of 12 per cent per annum until paid. The respective maker or makers and endorsers hereof severally waive presentment, protest, notice of non-payment and of protest of this note, and if suit is brought, legal attorneys fees shall be added to the amount of judgment and charged up as part of the costs in the case.

NO [illegible]

DUE [illegible]

Sec. Twp. Range

Postoffice

How Secured

Remarks

$400.00

50

$450.00

When Due

Number

2406

~~1660~~

TUTTLE, N. DAK. October 1st 1917

October 1st 1918, without grace, after date I promise to pay to the order of Tuttle State Bank, Tuttle N.D.

Four hundred ~~xx~~ Dollars

at the Tuttle State Bank, Tuttle, N. Dak., with interest after date at the rate of 10 per cent per annum, payable annually, and collection charges.

The makers, endorsers and guarantors severally waive demand, presentment for payment, protest and notice of protest for non-payment of this note, and hereby guara[illegible] f this note at maturity or at any time thereafter or at any time to which this note may be extended.

P. O. Tuttle N.D.

A. B. Anderson

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U.S. BANK NOTE CO. NOTES

Arnt Oliver Anderson

My Father

My father was born on 3 November, 1907 in Lake Preston, Kingsburg County, South Dakota.

At the age of about one month the family moved to Tuttle, Kidder County, North Dakota to homestead.

His boyhood was spent doing normal chores for a boy his age on a farm. He attended a one room school house that was located about a half mile from their farm. The school had grades 1 thru 8 in the one room.

When my father was 11 years old his father died during a flu epidemic that swept the midwest.

His family had to sell their farm and moved back to Lake Preston, South Dakota. They lived in a house there that was owned by his grandfather.

Back in Lake Preston my father completed his 8th grade education. Between 1918 and 1929 my father worked on farms in the area that were owned by relatives and neighbors.

During his youth he enjoyed going to dances at the town hall or church. The church also had a baseball team that was very popular. Regretfully some of the older church members took a dim view of baseball being played on Sunday. Since Sunday was the only day the young people had free the baseball team finally had to disband. Other activities were the Luther league which met once or twice a month. They would have games and sleigh rides in winter months and roller skating and boxing were very popular during this time.

In 1929 my father, his brother Gilbert, and a friend purchased a 1917 Model-T Ford. They then decided to take a trip to Illinois to visit their sister, Mary. Mary had married Everett Mordt and had moved to Harvard, McHenry County, Illinois. They drove non-stop over bad roads to Rock Island, Illinois to visit some friends. The non-stop trip took 72 hours. They spent one day there and then drove to Harvard, Illinois. The trip from Rock Island to Harvard took another full day. The entire cost of the trip was $11.25. This included gas, oil and food for 3 people.

My father found that the pay for farm help was much higher in Illinois than it was in South Dakota. By working on farms during the great depression, he was spared many of the hardships felt by many Americans. He was making $30.00 a month plus room and board.

In 1935 he went into a partnership with a farm owner. This was commonly known as farming "On Shares". This means the owner supplies the land and my father the know how and labor and then they would split the profit. This farm was located near Capron, Illinois in Boone County.

My father belonged to the Capron Lutheran Church and sang in their choir. This is where he met my mother, Alice Ruth Berg. After a courtship of about a year, they were married. The marriage took place in the Capron Lutheran Church on 20 July, 1936.

Hans Hanson

My Great-Grandfather

Not much is known about Hans Hanson. He came to this country from Denmark, but the date is not known.

He lived in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois and was employed a commercial artist.

Hans passed away in 1940 at the home of a daughter, Caroline Carlson, in DesPlains, Illinois.

Hans had at least two children, Mabel and Caroline.

Mabel Hanson

Lived most or all of her life in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. She was the daughter of Hans Hanson. She was born around 1888.

She met and married Peter Burg in Chicago, Illinois.

Peter Burg

My Mothers Father

All the information I could find on Peter is that he lived in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois and was born around 1888. He met and married Mabel Hanson in Chicago, Illinois.

Peter and Mabel Burg

Peter and Mabel were married in Chicago, Illinois. They had at least (2) two children born from their marriage: Alice Ruth Burg and Irene Burg.

Mabels father, Hans Hanson also lived with them.

When my mother, Alice, was four years old she was in a Chicago Hospital for an unknown illness. While she was in the hospital, both her mother and father died of the flu epidemic of 1918.

Andrew S. Ringheim

My Mother's Foster Father

Andrew was born in Bonn, Norway around 1866. He came to this country with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stark Ringheim in the 1870's. His father, Stark, was a shoemaker by trade in Norway. Upon arrival in Illinois the family was engaged in farming in the Capron area.

As a youth, Andrew was an avid skier in his native Norway and used to tell how they would make their own skies.

Andrew met his future wife, Anna Schulestad around 1900 in Capron, Illinois. (Boone County) They lived on neighboring farms. Andrew and Anna were married in Capron, Illinois in 1901.

Anna Schulestad

My Mother's Foster Mother

Anna was born in Voss, Norway on the 1st of December of 1877. She came to this country by boat in 1880 with her parents. The family lived on a farm in Newark, Illinois for several years. They then moved to South Dakota to homestead. This move did not work out and they returned to Illinois after one year.

Her family nexted settled in LeRoy Township near Capron, Illinois (Boone County) It was while living here she met and married Andrew Ringheim.

They were married in Capron, Illinois in 1901.

Andrew and Anna Ringheim

My Mother's Foster Parents

Andrew and Anna were married in Capron, Boone County, Illinois in 1901.

To this union a girl and boy were born. The girl's name was Rosella. The son died either at birth or at an early age. The boy was never spoken of by Andrew and Anna, so no information is known.

They were engaged in farming just west of the LeRoy Center School near Capron, Illinois for 21 years.

On the 1st of March 1937 they retired from farming. They purchased a home in the village of Capron to spend their retirement. However, Anna's retirement was cut short. She died of cancer at the age of 60 years on the 28th of September 1938.

Andrew went on to live to the age of 87 years. He passed away in 1953 after a lengthy illness.

Alice Ruth Burg

My mother was born in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois on the 5th of March 1914.

Her first four years were spent living with her parents, her sister Irene, and her grandfather, Hans Hanson.

When my mother was four years old she was in a Chicago, Illinois Hospital for an unknown illness. While in the hospital both her mother and father died from the flu epidemic that had swept the Mid-west.

My mother and her sister Irene were separated after the death of their parents. As a result they lost contact with each other and the whereabouts of Irene remains unknown. My mother spent a few months at the home of her aunt, Caroline Carlson in Chicago, Illinois. After her aunt was unable to keep her any longer, she was placed in a children's home. My mother spent the next several months of her life at the Edison Park Lutheran Children's Home.

At about the age of 5 years, she was taken from the children's home to a foster home in Capron, Boone County, Illinois. From this time to the time of her marriage she lived with Andrew and Anna Ringheim on a farm near Capron, Illinois.

She attended public schools in the area, graduationg from Capron High School. Much of her free time was spent working on the farm of her foster parents. She was as active as possible in school and church activites. It was while singing in the church choir that she met my father. About one year later on the 20th of July 1936 that they were married in the very same church.

Arnt and Alice Anderson

My Parents

My parents met while both were members of the Capron Lutheran Church Choir, Capron, Boone County, Illinois.

They were married in this same church on the 20th of July 1936. From the time of their marriage till 1957, they were engaged in farming in the Harvard, McHenry County, Illinois area.

In 1937 they had their first son, Dean A. Anderson

In 1938 the second son Paul A. Anderson was born.

In 1943 their third and last child, Colin L. Anderson was born.

During the years from 1936 my parents always lived in the Harvard area, however, they did live on several different farms.

The first farm they lived on was located near Capron from 1935 to 1939. In 1939 they moved to farm number #2 on Route #14, north of Harvard. The next move was in 1944 to a farm located about 15 miles north west of Harvard on the State Line Road. From there they moved to a farm near the village of Lawrence. Lawrence is located just 3 or 4 miles north west of Harvard. The family lived on this farm from 1948 to 1957.

During these years my father was instrumental in forming the Harvard Grange. The Grange is a Nation-Wide Faternal Organization of Farmers. My father besides being one of the local founders, also served as the first "Master" of the local Chapter.

After retiring from farming in 1957, the family purchased a home with 3 acres on the south edge of Harvard. This is still the home of my parents.

In 1951 my father went to work for the State of Illinois Hi-Way Department. He worked for the State of Illinois from 1957 to 1965. In 1965 as a result of a change of administration in the State of Illinois, he lost his job which was patronage.

From 1965 to 1968 he worked in two local factories, Admiral Corporation and Star-Line Incorporation, as a machine operator.

When the republicans returned to power in 1968, my father went back to work for the State of Illinois. He worked there till his retirement in March of 1974.

During my fathers years in Harvard, he has always been active in the Republican Party. He has served as precinct Captain for many years. He has also served several terms as Dunham Township Auditor, which is an elective office.

My father was also very active in several church organizations. He served several terms on the church concil of the Trinity Lutheran Church of Harvard, Illinois.

During the years of farming my mother was real asset to my father. Besides taking care of the household chores and raising three boys, she also assisted with the farm work. She also found time to be active in the Lutheran Church, Harvard Grange, and the Local 4-H Clubs.

After leaving the farm and moving into the city of Harvard, she was able to utilize her talents as an excellent cook. She became employed from 1956 thru 1958 at the Harvard Community Hospital as the head cook. She left that position to be the head cook at the Christian Haven Nursing Home in Harvard. From 1965 to 1970 she held the same position at the Admiral Corporation Cafeteria in Harvard.

Currently my father and mother are enjoying his retirement. My mother still works but has cut back on the number of hours. They have found that they have more time to travel and enjoy their home.

ANDERSON, JAY WILLIAM, 1957-

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I. SURVEY

Office Use Code

1. Your name JAY WILLIAM ANDERSON (ID #)
   Date of form FEB.7,1976 (ID #)

2. Your college: Rock Valley College
   Rockford, Illinois

3. Check the earliest date for which you have been able to say things about your family in your paper.

   X Before 1750 ___ 1750-1800 ___ 1800-1850
   ___ 1850-1900 ___ 1900 or later

4. Please check all regions of the United States in which members of your family whom you have discussed in your paper have lived.

   ___ New England (Mass., Conn., R.I.) X Middle Atlantic (N.Y., Penna., N.J. Va.) ___ South Atlantic (Ga., Fla., N.C., S.C.) ___ East South Central (La., Miss., Ala., Tenn, Ky.) X West South Central (Ark., N.M., Tex., Ok.) ___ East North Central (Mich., Ohio, Ind.) ___ Pacific (Cal., Wash.) ___ (Hawaii, Alaska) X (Ill., Wisc.,)

5. Please check all occupational categories in which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have found themselves.

   X Farming ___ Mining X Shopkeeping or small business
   ___ Transportation ___ Big Business ___ Manufacturing
   X Professions X Industrial Labor X Other LIGHTHOUSE KEEPER

6. Please check all religious groups to which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have belonged.

   ___ Roman Catholic ___ Jewish X Presbyterian ___ Methodist
   X Baptist ___ Episcopalian X Congregational X Lutheran
   X Quaker ___ Mormon ___ Other Protestant ___ Other (name) ___

7. What ethnic and social groups are discussed in your paper?

   X Swedish ___ Other Scandinavian ___ German X French
   ___ Blacks ___ Indians ___ Mexicans ___ Puerto Ricans ___ Eastern Europ
   ___ Jews ___ Central Europeans ___ Italians ___ Slavs
   ___ Irish XX British X Native Americans over several generations
   ___ East Asian ___ Other (Name) ___

8. What sources did you use in compiling your family history?

   X Interviews with other family members X Family Bibles X Family Genealogies
   ___ Land Records ___ The U.S. Census
   ___ Vital Records
   X Photographs X Maps X Other

I. FAMILY DATA

A. Grandfather (your father's side)

Name JOHN MANFORD ANDERSON Current Residence _____

Date of birth DEC. 29, 1879 Place of birth OLAND SWEDEN

Date of death _____ Place of burial SCANDINAVIAN CEMETARY, RKFD.

Education (number of years);
grade school 8 high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st TOOL & DIE Dates 1900 - 1924 1st 402 HIGHLAND AVE. Dates 1915-1924

2nd OWNER OF LOCAL FOOD ST. Dates 1924-1951 2nd 1914 CROSBY ST. Dates 1924-1951

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd 2004 [illegible] AVE. Dates 1951-1968

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion LUTHERAN

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

REPUBLICAN, ODD FELLOW * MASON * ORDER OF EAGLES

Place of Marriage to your grandmother 1st LUTHERAN date 6/13/1903

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (A-1)

B. Grandmother (your father's side)

Name HANNA (PETERSON) ANDERSON Current Residence _____

Date of birth March 30, 1894 Place of birth ROCKFORD, ILL.

Date of death JANUARY 19, 1950 Place of burial SCANDINAVIAN, ROCKFORD

Education (number of years):
grade school 8 high school _____ vocational _____
college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st HOUSEWIFE Dates _____ 1st 402 HIGHLAND AVE. Dates 1915-1924

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd 1914 CROSBY ST. Dates 1924-1951

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion LUTHERAN

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

ORDER OF EASTERN STAR * REBECAH LODGE

Place of marriage to your grandfather 1ST LUTHERAN date 6/13/1903

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (A-2).

A-2 Stepgrandfather (your father's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years)
grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____
college_____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc._____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandmother_____ date_____

B-2 Stepgrandmother (your father's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years):
grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____
college_____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc._____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandfather_____ Date_____

Grandfather (your mother's side)

Name WILLIAM HARVEY Current Residence

Date of birth DECEMBER 25, 1894 Place of birth ARGYLE, ILLINOIS

Date of death APRIL 13, 1946 Place of burial SCOTTISH CEMETARY- ARGYLE, ILL

Education (number of years):

grade school 8 high school 4 vocational college ?

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st FARMER Dates 1913-1933 1st ARGYLE, ILL, Dates ENTIRE LIFE

2nd Dates 2nd Dates

3rd Dates 3rd Dates

4th Dates 4th Dates

Religion PRESBYTERIAN

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc.

DEMOCRATIC , MASON CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

Place of marriage to your grandmother ROSCOE, ILLINOIS date OCT. 26,1913

NOTE: If your mother was raised by a stepfather or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (C-1)

Grandmother (your mother's side)

Name MAUDE DEGROFF HARVEY Current Residence

Date of birth APRIL 19,1897 Place of birth ROSCOE, ILL

Date of death DECEMBER 3, 1971 Place of burial SCOTTISH CEMETARY-ARYGLE, ILL

Education (number of years)

grade school 8 high school 4 vocational college 3

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st TEACHER Dates 1905-1913 1st ARGYLE, ILL Dates ENTIRE LIFE

2nd Dates 2nd Dates

3rd Dates 3rd Dates

4th Dates 4th Dates

Religion CONGREGATIONAL CHANGED TO PRES.

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc.

DEMOCRATIC CHURCH CIRCLES AND ORG.

Place of marriage to your grandfather ROSCOE, ILL Date OCT. 26,1913

NOTE: If your mother was raised by a stepmother or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (D-1)

C-2 Stepgrandfather (your mother's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years)

grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____ college_____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc._____

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Place of marriage to your grandmother_____ Date_____

D-2 Stepgrandmother (your mother's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years)

grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____ college_____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc._____

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Place of marriage to your grandfather_____ Date_____

HILDREN of A & B (or A-2 or B-2) - your father's name should appear below

. Name MANFRED KENNETH ANDERSON
Place of birth ROCKFORD,ILL. date APRIL 1904
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation DRAFTSMAN
Residence ROCKFORD Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 1 Death APRIL, 1934

. Name IDA PEARL
Place of birth ROCKFORD,ILL date 1906 DIED IN INFANTCY
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children Death

. Name JOHN MILTON ANDERSON
Place of birth ROCKFORD,ILL date AUG. 14, 1915
Number of years of schooling 16 Occupation PERSONNEL MANAGER
Residence DEKALB,ILL Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 2 Death

. Name ROBERT GUSTAVE ANDERSON
Place of birth ROCKFORD,ILL date AUG. 6, 1917
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation FOOD SANITARIAN
Residence ROCKFORD, ILL Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 4 death

5. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children Death

6. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

7. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

8. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

9. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

0. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

CHILDREN of C and D (or C-2, D-2)-your mother's name should appear below

1. Name LAWRENCE RAYMOND HARVEY
Place of birth CALEDONIA, ILL date JAN. 30, 1914
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation SALESMAN (RETIRED)
Residence WAUSAU, WISC. Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children NONE death APRIL 17, 1976

2. Name ROBERT WILLIAM HARVEY
Place of birth CALEDONIA, ILL date APRIL 19, 1919
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation NAVAL OFFICER (LT. C
Residence WASHINGTON, D.C. Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 4 death

3. Name JEAN ELIZABETH HARVEY ANDERSON
Place of birth BELVIDERE, ILL date JUNE 6, 1924
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation
Residence ROCKFORD Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children death

4. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

5. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

6. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

7. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

8. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

9. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

10. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

E. Your Father

Name ROBERT G. ANDERSON Current Residence 2004 OREGON AVE. ROCKFORD,ILL

Date of birth AUG. 6, 1917 Place of birth ROCKFORD,ILL

Date of Death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st grocery clerk	Dates 1933-1941	1st 402 HIGHLAND AVE	Dates 1917-1924
2nd ARMY	Dates 1941-1944	2nd 1914 CROSBY	Dates 1924-45
3rd FOOD SANITARIAN	Dates 1944-1976	3rd 3227 CALIFORNIA RD	Dates 1945-47
4th _____	Dates _____	4th 3232 MARYLAND RD.	Dates 1947-49
		2004 OREGON AVE	1949-76

Religion LUTHERAN

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

MASON BALTIC LODGE

Place of marriage to your mother ARGYLE date JUNE 2, 1945

NOTE: If you were raised by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (E-2)

F. Your Mother

Name JEAN ELIZABETH HARVEY ANDERSON Current Residence 2004 OREGON AVE

Date of birth ~~JUNE6, 1924~~ Place of birth BELVIDERE,ILL

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st HOUSEWIFE	Dates 1945-1965	1st 3327 CALIF. RD	Dates 1945-47
2nd CLERK*SUPERVISOR	Dates 1965-1976	2nd 3232 MARYLAND RD.	Date 1947-49
3rd _____	Dates _____	3rd 2004 OREGON AVE.	Dates 1949-76
4th _____	Dates _____	4th _____	Dates _____

Religion LUTHERAN

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your father ARGYLE date JUNE 2, 1945

NOTE: If you were raised by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (F-2).

E-2 Stepfather

Name _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college ___

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates ____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates ____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates ____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates ____

Religion _____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your mother _____ Date _____

F-2 Stepmother

Name _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college ___

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates ____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates ____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates ____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates ____

Religion _____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your father _____ date _____

CHILDREN OF E AND F (or E-2,F-2) -YOUR NAME SHOULD APPEAR BELOW

1. Name JAMES MILTON ANDERSON
Place of birth ROCKFORD, ILL. Date of birth JULY 20, 1946
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation ELECTRICAL ENG.
Residence MILWAUKEE, WIS. Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children NONE death

2. Name JON ROBERT ANDERSON
Place of birth ROCKFORD, ILL Date of birth APRIL 8, 1949
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation SALESMAN
Residence 2110 HECKER AVE. Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 1 death

3. Name JANINE KAY ANDERSON CHAMBERLAIN
Place of birth NOV. 6, 1952 Date of birth ROCKFORD, I L
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation
Residence 2010 ES. GATE Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 1 death

4. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

5. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

6. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

7. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

8. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

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Signed Fay Anderson

Date Sept, 1976

Jay William Anderson

(mother) Jean ANDERSON (Harvey) | Robert G Anderon (Father

(Grandmother) Maude V Harvey (DeGroff) | (Grandfather) William Harvey

(Grandmother) Hannah Anderson (Peterson) | (Grandfather) John M. Anderon

G. Grandmother Edith DeGroff (Goodwin) | Frank DeGroff

Mary Harvey (Harvie) | Daniel Harvey

Emily Peterson (Blomquist) | John Peterson

Anna Anderson (Johnson) | Gustaf Anderson

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A. PATERNAL GRANDFATHER***JOHN M. ANDERSON

B. PATERNAL GRANDMOTHER**HANNAH MATHILDA ANDERSON(PETERSON)

C. JOHN & HANNAH ANDERSON

D. ROBERT G. ANDERSON

PART 2

A.MATERNAL GRANDFATHER***WILLIAM HARVEY

B. MATERNAL GRANDMOTHER**MAUDE URSULA HARVEY(DEGROFF)

C. WILLIAM & MAUDE HARVEY

D. JEAN HARVEY ANDERSON

PART 3

LFE OF JEAN AND ROBERT ANDERSON

Y LIFE

ANDERSON GENEALOGY(PATERNAL SIDE) FATHER

IN 1870 [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] SHE WAS TAKEN CARE [illegible]

[illegible]

I [illegible]

[illegible] ON THE LAST [illegible] D. [illegible] 17 [illegible]

[illegible] ASKE [illegible].

[illegible]

[illegible] 27 [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 1904. [illegible]

[illegible] 1915. [illegible]

[illegible] 1917. [illegible] 1931.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible].

PETERSON GENEALOGY(PATERNAL)EDWARD SIDE

THE PETERSON FAMILY ARRIVED FROM SWEDEN IN THE LATE 1800's AND SETTLED IN NEW MILFORD AND LATER MOVED TO ROCKFORD'S EAST SIDE. JOHN PETERSON MET AND MARRIED EMILY LONQUIST IN ROCKFORD. BECAUSE OF TRADITION OF THE SWEDISH FAMILIES CHANGING THEIR NAME EVERY GENERATION IT IS VERY HARD TO TRACE ANCESTRY BEFORE THEY CAME TO AMERICA. IT IS KNOWN THAT JOHN PETERSON AND HIS WIFE EMILY LIVED IN NEW MILFORD DURING THEIR EARLY MARRIED YEARS AND WALKED SUNDAY MORNINGS TO THE FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH IN ROCKFORD. JOHN LATER MOVED HIS FAMILY TO ROCKFORD AND BEGAN BUSINESS ON SEVENTH STREET. HE FIRST WENT INTO THE SHOW BUSINESS WHICH TURNED OUT TO BE VERY PROFITABLE. HE WAS ABLE TO PURCHASE AN ENTIRE BLOCK THAT HOUSES LAWSON'S DRUGS NOW. THEIR HOME WAS ON THE CORNER OF 7th ST. AND 4TH AVE. IN LATER YEARS HE RENT INTO A CONFECTIONARY STORE ON 7TH STREET. HE WAS IN BUSINESS MORE THAN FIFTY YEARS THERE. HE AND EMILY HAD TEN CHILDREN. THE FOURTH BORN WAS MY GRANDMOTHER HANNAH. THEIR CHILDREN WERE:

HUGO

EMIL

ARTHUR

EMILY

HANNAH

PEARL

LILLIAN

EDWARD

JOHN

EMMA

PETERSON GENEALOGY PATERNAL MOTHERS SIDE

HANNAH PETERSON WAS MY GRANDMOTHER. SHE GREW UP ON 7TH STREET AND LIVED HER ENTIRE LIFE ON THE EAST SIDE OF ROCKFORD. SHE MARRIED JOHN E. ANDERSON. THIS UNION TOOK PLACE JUNE 1,03. THEY WERE MARRIED IN THE BRIDES HOME. HANNAH AND JOHN BUILT THEIR FIRST HOME ON HIGHLAND AVENUE AND LIVED THERE UNTIL THEY PURCHASED A GROCERY STORE BETWEEN CHICAGO AND LONDON AVENUE ON CROSBY STREET. THEY RAN THIS GROCERY STORE TOGETHER. THEY HAD FOUR CHILDREN. THEIR FIRST BORN WAS MANFRED, JOHN MILTON WAS SECOND AND ROBERT C. (MY FATHER) WAS THIRD. A BABY GIRL, TIA, DIED AT AN EARLY AGE. I WILL TELL MORE OF ROBERT C. IN A LATER PAPER.

ROBERT G. ANDERSON (MY FATHER)

ROBERT G. ANDERSON, WAS BORN AUGUST 6,1917 IN ROCKFORD,ILL. SON OF HANNAH AND JOHN ANDERSON. ROBERT ATTENDED HIGHLAND GRADE SCHOOL AND GRADUATED FROM CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL. HE SPENT THE FIRST SIX YEARS LIVING ON HIGHLAND AVENUE IN THE HIGHLAND REGION OF ROCKFORD. WHEN HE WAS SIX HIS PARENTS BOUGHT A STORE ON CROSBY STREET, ROCKFORD,ILL. AND HE LIVED THERE UNTIL HIS MARRIAGE.

IN 1941 HE ENTERED THE ARMY. HE WAS FIRST STATIONED AT CAMP CROFT, N. CAROLINA AND WAS THEN STATIONED AT CAMP FORREST, TENN. BEING THERE WHEN PRES. ROOSEVELT DECLARED WAR ON JAPAN. HE IMMEDIATELY WAS SENT TO GUARD A DAMN IN CHATANOOGA, TENN. HE THEN WAS SENT OVERSEAS BEING ONE OF THE FIRST TO LEAVE THE UNITED STATES AFTER THE WAR BROKE OUT. WHEN HE LEFT THE UNITED STATES HE HAD NO IDEA WHERE HE WOULD BE SENT AND ENDED UP IN AUSTRALIA. HE STAYED THERE FOR A SHORT TIME AND THEN WAS SENT TO GUADALCANAL AND SAW AND TOOK PART IN THE BLOODIEST BATTLE OF GUADALCANAL. HE WAS IN GUADACANAL ABOUT FOUR MONTHS AND THEN WAS SENT TO THE FIGI ISLAND. HE ALSO WAS SERVED TIME ON NEW CALEDONIA AND THIS WAS WHERE THE AMERICAL DIV. OF THE ARMY WAS FORMED. HE CAME HOME FROM THE ARMY AND WENT TO WORK AT WOODWARD GOVERNOR. HE WORKED THERE FOR ABOUT A YEAR AND THEN WENT TO WORK FOR THE CITY OF ROCKFORD HEALTH DEPT. HE HAS BEEN IN HEALTH SINCE. HE HAS THIRTY ONE YEARS IN HEALTH WORK.

ROBERT WAS BAPTIZED AND CONFIRMED IN THE LUTHERAN FAITH. HE WAS CONFIRMED AT EMMANUEL CHURCH AND IS A MEMBER THERE TO.

HARVEY GENEALOGY (PATERNAL SIDE)

MY MOTHERS MAIDEN NAME WAS HARVEY. THIS IS A SCOTCH NAME AND MEANS "PLENT OF FOOT". THE HARVEY NAME IS [illegible] FROM THREE OUT ENGLAND AND SCOTLAND. [illegible] FROM SCOTLAND IN 1841. [illegible] INFORMATION [illegible] FROM A BOOK THAT MY GREAT GRANDFATHER WROTE CALLED "THE HISTORY OF WILLOW GROVE CHURCH" [illegible] HARVEY SIDE [illegible] OF [illegible] IN ARGYLESHIRE, SCOTLAND. [illegible] IS A [illegible] IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF SCOTLAND. IT IS [illegible] AND [illegible] [illegible] LOW. [illegible] ARE [illegible] IN [illegible] CIVILIZED COUNTRY IN THE WORLD. [illegible] IN [illegible] THAT CONSISTENTLY FIRST [illegible] IN THE [illegible] OF SCOTLAND. [illegible] IS [illegible] INTO TWO DISTRICTS OR PARISHES. THEY ARE CAMPBELTOWN AND SOUTH END. IT WAS FROM THESE TWO DISTRICTS THAT THE FIGHTERS OF THE ARGYLE SETTLEMENT IN ILLINOIS CAME.

GOING BACK IN HISTORY TO THE YEAR 1666 A GREAT PLAGUE BROKE OUT IN THE CITY OF LONDON; IT WAS CALLED THE "BLACK PLAGUE". IT WAS [illegible] AND A GREAT [illegible]. IT SPREAD TO PARTS OF SCOTLAND ESPECIALLY TO ARGYLESHIRE [illegible], LEAVING MANY FARMS. [illegible] FROM [illegible]SHIRE, AYSHIRE AND [illegible] FARMS.

THESE WERE THE COVENANTERS OF SCOTLAND. THE MARQUIS OF ARGYLE, BEING A COVENANTER HIMSELF, GAVE [illegible] IN [illegible]. MY ANCESTORS OF THE ARGYLE SETTLEMENT [illegible] OF THE COVENANTERS OF SCOTLAND. SOME [illegible] OF THE COVENANTERS OF SCOTLAND IS AS GREAT AS [illegible].

My ANCESTORS came [illegible]. IT WAS [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] ,1842, [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] ,1841,

ALL [illegible] JOURNEY.

[illegible]

[illegible]:

MARAGRET

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

DANIEL J.

WILLIAM [illegible] IN SCOTLAND. THE DATE IS NOT KNOWN. [illegible] THEIR [illegible], MY [illegible], [illegible] YOUNGEST SON DANIEL. DANIEL WAS [illegible] 1851., AT [illegible] ,ILLINOIS. [illegible] REMEMBERED AS A SMALL BOY [illegible] MAKING [illegible] WAY TO [illegible] CROSSING THEIR FARM. [illegible] PASSED [illegible] LOCALITY [illegible] TO [illegible] MISSISSIPPI. [illegible] CAMP [illegible] SPILL [illegible] GRANDMOTHER [illegible] WAS [illegible] GRANDMOTHER [illegible] IS [illegible] THAT [illegible] THEIR CHILDREN AND LITTLE BELONGINGS. [illegible] ACROSS THE PRAIRIE.

DANIEL G. WAS BORN ON A FARM ON [illegible]. THIS IS [illegible] 173. [illegible] WILLIAM HAD TAKEN [illegible] GOVERNMENT. FIVE [illegible] OF HARVEYS LIVED ON THAT FARM UNTIL [illegible] ILLINOIS TOLLWAY COULD GO THROUGH. DANIEL G. HARVEY MARRIED MARY HARVIE. I HAVE TOLD IN A SEPARATE [illegible]. [illegible] SCOTTISH SETTLEMENT. OF THIS UNION FOUR [illegible]:

WILLIAM

[illegible]

MARY

WALLACE.

MY GRAND FATHER WAS WILLIAM. [illegible] PRESENT TIME IN THE ALMA NELSON NURSING [illegible]. MARY MARRIED JOHN [illegible] AND DIED IN 1968. WALLACE MARRIED [illegible] AND DIED IN 1947.

HARVIE GENEALOGY (MATERNAL SIDE) GREAT GRAND MOTHER

NOT TO MUCH IS KNOW OF THE FAMILY OF HARVIE EXCEPT THAT THEY WERE FOR MANY YEARS LIGHT HOUSEKEEPERS ON THE ISLE OF MANN. THE ISLE OF MAN IS A LITTLE ISLE IN THE IRISH SEA SPOUT 1/2 WAY BETWEEN SCOTLAND AND IRELAND. IT HAS A VERY [illegible] COAST LINE AND HAS HOW A LIGHT HOUSE THERE FOR CENTURIES.

IT MAKES IT A LITTLE CONFUSING BECAUSE MY GRANDFATHER DANIEL HARVEY MARRIED A MARY HARVIE. THE SAME LAST NAME WITH A DIFFERENT SPELLING. MY GREAT GRAND MOTHER GREW UP IN CAMPELTOWN, SCOTLAND. MY GREAT GRANDFATHER WAS BORN IN ARGYLE , ILL. SOME HOW HE BEGAN WRITING TO MARY HARVIE AND PROPOSED TO HER BY LETTER AND THEN WENT TO SCOTLAND AND MARRIED HER. MY GREAT GRANDMOTHER DIES AT AGE 38. SHE MARRIED DANIEL HARVEY AND THEY HAD FIVE CHILDREN. THE OLDEST ONE BEING WILLIAM, MY GRANDFATHER.

I WILL GO FURTHER INTO THIS WHILE DOING THE PAPER ON THE HARVEY SIDE. MARY HARVIE IS BURIED IN THE SCOTTISH CEMETARY AT ARGYLE,ILL.

WILLIAM HARVEY (GRANDFATHER) MATERNAL

WILLIAM HARVEY WAS BOR D=C. 25, 1894 ON THE FAMILY FARM LOCATED ON WEST LANE. HE WAS BORN ON THE FAMILY FARM TAKEN UP FROM THE GOVERMENT BY HIS GRANDFATHER. HE LIVED HIS ENTIRE LIFE IN THE ARGYLE SETTLEMENT AREA. HE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN WILLOW CREEK CHURCH BEING BOTH BAPTIZED AND CONFIRMED IN THAT CHURCH. HE ATTENDED BROWNS BUSINESS COLLEGE IN ROCKFORD. HE MARRIED MAUDE U. DEGROFF AND THIS MARRIAGE IS INCLUDED IN A SEPERATE PAPER UNDER THE DEGROFF SIDE. WILLIAM AND MAUDE HAD 3 CHILDREN WHICH WERE:

LAWRENCE

ROBERT

JEAN

JEAN IS MY MOTHER AND I WRITE MORE ABOUT HER ON A SEPERATE SHEET.

DEGROFF GENEALOGY—GRANDMOTHER (MATERNAL SIDE)

MY GRANDMOTHERS MAIDEN NAME WAS DEGROFF. THIS FAMILY ORIGINATED IN HOLLAND, COMING TO AMERICA IN ABOUT THE EARLY 1800's. NOT TOO MUCH IS KNOW ABOUT THE FAMILY. AS FAR BACK AS CAN BE TRACED THEY WERE ALWAYS FARMERS. MY MOTHER CAN REMEMBER MANY THINGS TOLD TO HER BY HER GRANDFATHER. WE WERE ALSO ABLE TO FIND AN OLD PICTURE IN MY GREAT GRANDMOTHERS BELONGINGS THAT LISTED ON THE BACK SOME PERTINENT INFORMATION.

THIS FAMILY SETTLED IN PENNSYLVANIA AND WERE CONSIDERED PENNSYLVANIA DUTCH. THE NAME DEGROFF WAS SHORTENED FROM VAN DEGROFF

WE KNOW THAT MY GREAT GREAT GREAT GRANDMOTHER ELIZA DEGROFF(WESTRIP) WAS BORN DECEMBER 25,1814. SHE MARRIED THE FIRST TIME IN 1837. SHE WAS LEFT WIDOW IN 1852. SHE THEN MARRIED MY GREAT GREAT GREAT GRANDFATHER(PHILEMAN) THIS MARRIAGE TOOK PLACE DECEMBER 25,1873.

THEY LEFT PENN. IN 1895 AND CAME WEST TO ROSCOE . MY GREAT GREAT GREAT GRANDFATHER HAD A BROTHER WHO HAD SETTLED AROUND THERE SO HE CAME TO HIS LOG CABIN. THIS SAME GRANDFATHER WAS LATTER KILLED PULLING A LOAD OF GRAIN FROM ROSCOE TO CHICAGO TO TRADE FOR SUPPLIES. IT WAS A BITTER COLD DAY AND HE HAD GOTTEN OFF OF THE WAGON TO WALK, PROBABLY TO WARM UP AND SLIPPED UNDER THE WHEEL AND WAS KILLED IMMEDIATELY. THIS TOOK PLACE AT BIG FOOT, WISC.

MY GRAT GREAT GREAT GRANDMOTHER DIED JUNE 8,1894. SHE LIVED TO BE 80 YEARS OLD.

OF THE SECOND MARRIAGE A SON WAS BORN AND WAS NAMED ALEXANDER DEGROFF

DEGROFF GENEALOGY--GRANDMOTHER (MATERNAL SIDE)

FROM THE MARRIAGE OF ELIZA AND PHILEMAN DEGROFF A SON, ALEXANDER, WAS BORN. THIS WOULD BE MY GREAT GREAT GRANDFATHER. THIS FAMILY ALWAYS LIVED AROUND ROSCOE AND WERE FARMERS. THEY OWNED A FARM JUST NORTH OF ROSCOE WHERE THE ILLINOIS TOLL ROAD NOW IS. OF THIS UNION, FOUR SONS AND ONE DAUGHTER WAS BORN. THE OLDEST SON BEING MY GREAT GRANDFATHER. ALEXANDER MARRIED RHODA MERCHANT IN ROSCOE BUT WE COULD NOT FIND THE DATE OF THIS UNION. THE CHILDRENS NAME WERE FRANK, LESTER, ART, ALEX. AND GRACE. RHODA, THE MOTHER WAS KNOWN FOR MILES AROUND AS "AUNT RHODIE" AND WAS ALWAYS CALLED ON IN CASE OF SICKNESS, CHILD BIRTH AND ANY TIME ANY ONE NEEDED A HELPING HAND. OF THIS FAMILY MY DIRECT DESCENDANT WAS FRANK. HE WAS MY GREAT GRANDFATHER.

DEGROFF GENEALOGY** MATERNAL SIDE**GRANDMOTHER

FRANK DEGROFF WAS BORN IN MANCHESTER, BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS APRIL 3, 1861. HE WAS THE FIRST BORN SON OF ALEXANDER AND RHODA (MERCHANT) DEGROFF. HE LIVED IN THE ROSCOE-BELIT AREA HIS ENTIRE LIFE AND FARMED ON THE SAME FARM FOR 65 YEARS. HE MEET AND MARRIED EDITH W. GOODWIN OF ROSCOE, ILLINOIS JANUARY 27, 1886 IN THE HOME OF THE BRIDE. REV. H.P. HIGLEY PREFORMED THE CEREMONY.

FRANK AND EDITH MEAT AT HER FATHERS CIDER MILL AND IMMEDIATELY WERE ATTRACTED TO EACH OTHER. EDITH WAS NOT QUITE 18, FRANK WAS 23. OF THIS UNION THREE CHILDREN WERE BORN. THEY WERE MAUDE, EARLE, AND HARVEY. MAUDE WAS BORN APRIL 19TH 1887. SHE WAS MY GRANDMOTHER. EARLE WAS BORN AT ROSCOE MAY 28th,1889 AND DIED IN HIS YOUTH. HE DIED SEPT. 5TH,1896 IN ROSCOE, ILL. HARVEY GOODWIN DEGROFF WAS BORN APRIL 12th,1907 AND NOW RESIDES IN FREEPORT. HE FARMED FOR MANY YEARS AROUND DECATONICA AND IS NOW RETIRED.

DEGROFF GENEALOGY**MATERNAL SIDE**

OF THE UNION OF FRANK AND EDITH(COLDWIN) THEIR DAUGHTER IS MY DIRECT DECENDENT. MAUDE URSULA WAS BORN IN ROSCOE, WINNEBAGO COUNTY ILLINOIS APRIL 19TH,1887. SHE GRADUATED FROM ROSCOE HIGH SCHOOL AND WAS ONE OF THE FIRST GRADUATES FROM DEKALB COLLEGE, NOW KNOWN AS NORTHERN ILLINOIS. SHE TAUGHT SCHOOL FOR MANY YEARS BEFORE HER MARRIAGE TO WILLIAM HARVEY OF ARGYLE,ILLINOIS. THEY WERE MARRIED BY REV. PEARSON OF THE ARGYLE PRES. CHURCH IN THE BRIDES HOME. THE SAME HOUSE WHERE HER MOTHER AND FATHER WERE MARRIED. WILLIAM WAS OF DIRECT SCOTTISH ANCESTRY AND LIVED HIS ENTIRE LIFE IN THE ARGYLE AREA. AFTER THEIR MARRIAGE THE MOVED TO A FARM NORTH OF ARGYLE AND RAISED THEIR FAMILY IN THIS AREA. WILLIAM ATTENDED BROWNS BUSINESS COLLEGE AND WAS A LIFETIME MEMBER OF WILLOW CREEK PRES. CHURCH. HE WAS ALWAYS VERY ACTIVE IN THIS CHURCH. OF THIS UNION THREE CHILDREN WERE BORN. THE ELDEST IS LAWRENCE R. HARVEY AND WORKED IN THE ELECTRICAL BUSINESS UNTIL ILL HEALTH REQUIRED HIS RETIREMENT. HE AND HIS WIFE MARGARET LIVE IN WAUSAU AT THE PRESENT TIME. THE SECOND SON WAS NAMED ROBERT W.. HE SERVED IN THE NAVY DURING WORLD WAR TWO AND RETIRED IN 1972 WITH THE RANK OF LT. COMMANDER. HE SPENT MANY YEARS WORKING IN THE PENTAGON. HE NOW RESIDES IN WASHINGTON, VIRGINIA. THE LAST BORN IS MY MOTHER, JEAN ELIZABETH. I WILL TELL MORE OF MY IMMEDIATE FAMILY IN THE CLOSING OF THIS PAPER.

DEGROFF FAMILY TREE

PHILEMON	UNKNOWN DATE OF BIRTH AND DEATH
ALEXANDER	" " " " " "
FRANK	1861-1942
MAUDE	1887-1971
JEAN	1924-------
JAY	1957----------

GOODWIN FAMILY GENELOGY

THIS IS A GENELOGY OF THE GOODWIN FAMILY. MY GREAT GRAND MOTHER WAS A GOODWIN AND SO I HAVE TRACED HER HERITAGE FOR THIS PAPER. MOST OF THE RESEARCH FOR THIS PAPER CAME FROM THE BOOK " THE GOODWINS OF HARTFORD, CONN.,DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM AND OZIAS" I ALSO WAS ABLE TO GET MANY FACTS FROM THE OLD FAMILY BIBLE AND A DIARY CARRIED DURING THE CIVIL WAR BY MY GREAT-GREAT-GREAT GRANDFATHER DURING THE CIVIL WAR AND KEPT DURING HIS TRIP BY COVERED WAGON TO SOUTHERN WISCONSIN.

IN SEPTEMBER,1632, A SMALL BOAT NAMED THE LION ARRIVED AT BOSTON. OCCUPYING A LEADING POSITION ON THIS SHIP WAS WILLIAM GOODWIN AND HIS WIFE SUSANNAH. EITHER ACCOMPANYING OR SHORTLY AFTER CAME A BROTHER OF WILLIAM CALLED OZIAS AND HIS WIFE MARY. THERE WERE FORTY PEOPLE ON THIS BOAT AND THESE NEW SETTLERS WERE DESIGNATED AS THE "BRAINTREE COMPANY" OR "THE HOOKER COMPANY". THIS MEANT THAT THEY WERE ASSOCIATED BY A COMMON SYMPATHY WITH VIEWS AND OPINIONS OF THE REV. THOMAS HOOKER.

OF THESE TWO BROTHERS, WILLIAM WAS CLEARLY A MAN OF GREAT SUBSTANCE. HE HAD SOLD LARGE AMOUNTS OF LAND IN ENGLAND TO COME TO THE NEW WORLD. HE SOON HAD PURCHESED LARGE AMOUNTS OF LAND IN THE THEN SMALL TOWN OF HARTFORD. OZIAS HAD LEFT ENGLAND WITH VERY LITTLE. HE HAD NO LAND TO SELL BEFORE DEPARTING FOR THE NEW WORLD.

THE RECORD OF THIS FAMILY DURING THESE MANY YEARS IS AN HONORABLE RECORD OF WHICH ANY FAMILY CAN BE PROUD.

THE FAMILY NAME "GOODWIN" IS ONE WHICH IS VERY WIDELY DISTRIBUTED OVER ALL THE NORTHERN COUNTRIES OF EUROPE.

THE WORD "GOODWIN" STANDS FOR "GOOD FRIENDS" OR "GODS FRIEND". WHILE THE GOODWIN FAMILY CAN BE TRACED AS FAR BACK AS 1157, WE WILL START WITH THE ONES WHO CAME FROM BRAINTREE, ENGLAND TO BOSTON.

MY FAMILY IS THE DIRECT DESCENDENTS OF OZIAS GOODWIN. HE WAS BORN IN 1596, IN BRAINSTREE, ENGLAND. HE MARRIED MARY WARDWARD. OZIAS DIED APRIL 3,1683. WE DO NOT KNOW FOR SURE HOW MANY CHILDREN THEY HAD. WE DO KNOW THAT THREE CHILDREN SURVIVED HIM AS THE DIVISION OF HIS ESTATE REVEALS. THE ELDEST SON, WILLIAM, WAS BORN IN 1639, A SECOND SON WAS BORN IN 16[illegible], AND A DAUGHTER, HANNAH WAS BORN IN 16[illegible].

WE ARE THE DESCEDENTS OF WILLIAM. WE HAVE NO DATES AS TO WHEN WILLIAM DIED. WILLIAM HAD A SON, ABRAHAM, WHO WAS BORN IN HARTFORD, MAY 30,1699. ABRAHAM WAS ONE OF THE FIRST SETTLERS OF THE NEW TOWN CALLED LITCHFIELD IN CONN.ABRAHAM GOODWIN MARRIED MARY BIRD, APRIL 1[illegible],1726. MARY BIRD WAS OF FARMINGTON,CONN. SHE DIED JUNE 7,17[illegible]. ABRAHAM DIED JAN.[illegible],1771. THEY ARE BURIED IN A CEMETERY ON WEST STREET IN LITCHFIELD WHERE THE GRAVESTONES STILL CAN BE SEEN. THEIR CHILDREN WERE:

NATHANIEL**BORNOCT. 31,1727**MARRIED ELIZABETH MARSH

THOMAS**BORN JUNE 30,1729**MARRIED ANNA KILBOURN

CHARLES**BORN MAY 5,1731 **MARRIED THANKFUL RUSSELL

PHINEAS**BORN JUNE 8,1733**WAS KILLED AT FORT WILLIAM HENRY IN FRENCH WAR.

OZIAS **BORN NOV. 27,1735 **MARRIED HANNAH VAIL

JESSE**BORN SEPTEMBER 3,1737 **MARRIED RACHEL BRACE

MARY **BORN APRIL 3,1740**MARRIED THEODORE CATLIN

RUTH**BORN AUGUST 5,1743**DIED IN 1806**UNMARRIED

OF THIS FAMILY, NATHANIEL IS OUR DIRECT ANCESTOR. HE WAS BORN OCT.31, 1727. HE MARRIED ELIZABETH MARSH, JAN. 31,1751. ELIZABETH WAS BORN [illegible],

THE DAUGHTER OF EBENEZER AND DEBORAH([illegible]) [illegible] LITCHFIELD, CONN.
ON JAN. 13,1754, [illegible]
FIFTY ACRES FROM HIS FATHER SITUATED [illegible]
THE TOWN OF MORRIS. HE WAS ONE OF THE LISTERS OF THE TOWN FOR SIXTEEN YEARS.
HE WAS CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN FOR FOURTEEN YEARS AND TAX COLLECTOR
FOR FIVE YEARS. HE WAS APPOINTED LT. OF THE LITCHFIELD THIRD COMPANY
IN 1767 AND JANUARY 1776 WAS COMMISSIONED CAPTAIN OF A COMPANY WHICH
FOR A PORTION OF THAT YEAR WAS STATIONED AT NEW YORK. WISHING AGAIN
TO ENTER THE ARMY AND FEARING TO DO IT BECAUSE OF THE SMALL POX THEN
SO PREVALENT, HE WAS INNOCULATED FOR THAT DISEASE AND DIED FROM THE
INNOCULATION. HE DIED MAY 18,1777 . ELIZABETH (MARSH) GOODWIN,(HIS
WIFE) DIED DEC. 14,1802. THEIR CHILDREN WERE:

ELIZABETH**BORN AUG. 2,1753**DIED [illegible],1753

SOLOMON **BORN APRIL 26,1755*MARRIED [illegible]

JAMES**BORN FEB. 4,1760**MARRIED RACHEL HARRISON

NATHANIEL **BORN FEB. 4,1760*MARRIED RHODA OFTON.

CHLOE**JULY 31,1766*MARRIED JOSEPH SANFORD.

WE ARE THE DESCENDENTS OF SOLOMON.

SOLOMON GOODWIN WAS BORN IN LITCHFIELD,CONN. APRIL 26,1755.UPON
LEARNING OF THE LEXINGTON ALARM IN APRIL, 1775,HE ENLISTED IN DEFENCE
OF HIS COUNTRY IN THE COMPANY OF CAPTAIN DAVID WELCH OF LITCHFIELD
AND THE FOLLOWING MONTH MARCHED TO FORT EDWARD ON THE HUDSON RIVER WHERE
HE REMAINED TILL SEPTEMBER OF THE SAME YEAR. IN THE SPRING OF 1776

OF CAPTAIN BEARDSLEY AND WENT TO NEW YORK CITY WHERE THEY WERE STATIONED AT THE TIME OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE WAS SIGNED, AFTERWARDS GOING INTO NEW JERSEY AND RETURNED HOME JAN.3,1777. HE ALSO SERVED SEVERAL OTHER ENLISTMENTS DURING THE REMAINDER OF THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR. A AUTOBIOGRAPHY IN PARCHMENT, GIVING A MORE DETAILED ACCOUNT OF HIS MILITARY LIFE AND HIS MINISTRY IS STILL IN THE POSSESSION OF HIS DESCENDANTS. HE WAS MARRIED NOVEMBER 29.1781 TO ANNA WAUGH. ANNA WAUGH WAS BORN MARCH 11,1760, DAUGHTER OF THOMAS AND ROSINA(WATSON) WAUGH OF LITCHFIELD. SOLOMON GOODWIN MOVED WITH HIS FAMILY IN AUGUST 1802 TO WILLIAMSTOWN, OSWEGO COUNTY, NEW YORK. HE RESIDED SEVERAL YEARS ENGAGED IN FARMING. IN HIS LATTER YEARS HE SETTLED IN ROME, NEW YORK WHERE HE DIED SEPT. 29,1835 AND HIS WIFE ALSO DIED THERE OCT. 22,1846. THEIR CHILDREN WERE:

ANGELINA**BORN AUGUST 22,1791**MARRIED ANSEL LOVEJOY

HERMAN**BORN MAY 1,1795**MARRIED BETSEY HYATT

SYLVIA** BORN DEC. 26,1787**DIED MARCH 8,1791

ROSANNA**BORN DEC. 16.1790**MARRIED SAMUEL PLUMB

NATHANIEL** BORN OCT. 28,1793**MARRIED NANCY ENSIGN

SOLOMON**BORN JUNE 4,1797**MARRIED HANNAH HAMLIN

OUR DIRECT DESCENDANT IS HERMAN. HE WOULD BE MY GREAT GREAT GREAT GRANDFATHER.

HERMAN GOODWIN WAS BORN IN LITCHFIELD CONN. MAY 1,1795 AND MOVED WITH HIS PARENTS TO WILLIAMSTOWN, OSWEGO COUNTY, NEW YORK. HE MARRIED BETSEY HYATT, DAUGHTER OF ROGER HYATT. SHE DIED JULY 10,1861 AT THE AGE OF 78 YEARS.

HEMAN GOODWIN WAS A FARMER IN WILLIAMSTOWN AND DIED NOVEMBER 12.1875. THEIR CHILDREN WERE:

HEMAN** BORN MAY 27,1828**MARRIED URSULA COMSTOCK

WASHINGTON**BORN MARCH 4,1814**DIED FEB 28,1815

ELIZA**BORN MAY 23,1815*MARRIED EDWARD [illegible]

MATHILDA**BORN APRIL 17,1817*DIED AUGUST 20,1821

SOLOMON**BORN FEB.24,1819**DIED JULY 4,1819

MARY ANN**BORN JULY 20,1820**MARRIED ABRAHAM A. [illegible]

JAMES**BORN JULY 18,1830**MARRIED WILLIAM KENDALL

ABRAHAM**BORN JULY 12,1832*DIED MAY 30,1864,UNMARRIED

HEMAN GOODWIN WAS BORN IN WILLIAMSTOWN, OSWEGO COUNTY, NEW YORK, MAY 27,1828. HIS FATHER WAS ALSO NAMED HEMAN. HE MARRIED URSULA ELIZA COMSTOCK IN NOVEMBER 29,1865. URSULA ELIZA COMSTOCK WAS BORN IN FLORENCE, ONEIDA COUNTY, NEW YORK ON JANUARY 25,1832. SHE WAS THE DAUGHTER OF JULIUS AND SARAH([illegible]) COMSTOCK. HEMAN GOODWIN ENLISTED IN THE UNION ARMY, OCT. 25,1861 IN CO [illegible]. REGT. NEW YORK VOLUNTEERS AND WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED OCT. 25,1861. WHILE SERVING IN THE UNION ARMY HE HEARD OF THE FERTILE LAND THAT WAS AVAILABLE IN NORTHERN ILLINOIS AND SOUTHERN WISCONSIN. HE DECIDED THAT WHEN HE HAD SERVED HIS ENLISTMENT HE WOULD TAKE HIS FAMILY AND COLONIST. HIS WIFE DIED JULY 1[illegible],1865. HEMAN DIED IN 1903. BOTH HEMAN AND URSULA ARE BURIED IN [illegible] CEMETARY IN BELOIT,WISC. HIS DIARY THAT HE KEPT IS IN [illegible] AND GIVES A GOOD LOOK AT THE TIMES IN THE MIDDLE 1800'S. THEIR CHILDREN WERE:

EDITH W.**BORN MARCH14,1868**MARRIED FRANK D[illegible]**JAN [illegible],1[illegible]

MYRTYLE**BORN 18[illegible]

TILESTON**BORN 1875

TILESTON**BORN 1875

BOTH MYRTLE AND TILESTON LIVED IN THE ROSCOE AREA ALL OF THEIR LIVES AS DID EDITH.

WE ARE DESCENDANTS OF EDITH. SHE LIVED ALL OF HER LIFE ON THE FARM THAT HER FATHER HAD PURCHASED WHEN HE CAME FROM NEW YORK. SHE MARRIED FRANK DEGROFF OF ROSCOE. THEIR CHILDREN WERE:

MAUDE U.**BORN APRIL 19,1887**MARRIED WILLIAM HARVEY

EARLE FRANCIS**BORN May 28,1889**DIED SEPT 8 1895

HARVEY GOODWIN**BORN APRIL 12,1907 **MARRIED ESTA DAUCHENBAUCH

MY GRANDMOTHER WAS MAUDE. SHE LIVED HER ENTIRE LIFE IN NORTHERN ILLINOIS AND SOUTHERN WISCONSIN. SHE TAUGHT SCHOOL FOR MANY YEARS BEFORE HER MARRIAGE TO WILLIAM HARVEY OF ARGYLE,ILLINOIS.THEY WERE MARRIED OCTOBER 15,1907. MAUDE DEGROFF HARVEY DIED DECEMBER 2,1971. THE CHILDREN OF MAUDE AND WILLIAM HARVEY ARE::

LAWRENCE R. HARVEY**BORN JANUARY 26,1915 **MARRIED MARGARET FULMER

ROBERT W. HARVEY**BORN APRIL 29,1920 **MARRIED DOROTHY SHEPHERD

JEAN E. HARVEY*JUNE 6,1924**MARRIED ROBERT G. ANDERSON

MY MOTHER IS JEAN.THE CHILDREN OF JEAN AND ROBERT. G. ANDERSON ARE:

JAMES M. ANDERSON**BORN JULY 20,1946**MARRIED LINDA GOSTINA

JON R. ANDERSON**BORN APRIL 8,1949 **MARRIED JANICE YONGREN

JANINE K. ANDERSON**NOV.6,1951 **MARRIED WM. CHAMBERLAIN

JAY WILLIAM ANDERSON**BORN SEPT. 23,1957

GODWIN FAMILY TREE

OZIAS GODWIN	1596-1683
WILLIAM	1641-?
ABRAHAM	1699-1771
NATHANIEL	1727-1777
SOLOMON	1755-1835
HERMAN	1785-1855
HERMAN JR.	1828-1903
EDITH	1868-1953
MAUDE	1887-1971
JEAN	1924
JAY	1957

JEAN ELIZABETH ANDERSON (HARVEY)

JEAN ELIZABETH HARVEY, MY MOTHER, WAS BORN JUNE 6,1924 IN BELVIDERE, ILLINOIS. SHE WAS THE DAUGHTER OF WILLIAM AND MAUDE HARVEY (DEGROFF). HER FOLKS LIVED ON A FARM AROUND POPLAR GROVE AND SHE LIVED THERE UNTIL THE AGE OF TWO. SHE THEN MOVED TO ARGYLE, ILLINOIS. SHE WAS CONFIRMED AND BAPTIZED AT WILLOW CREEK PRES. CHURCH. SHE ATTENDED ARGYLE GRADE SCHOOL AND GRADUATED FOR HARLEM HIGH IN 1942. SHE STARTED WORK FOR MATTISON MACHINE WORKS IN THE OFFICE AND WORKED THERE UNTIL HER MARRIAGE TO ROBERT G. ANDERSON.

ROBERT D. AND JEAN B. (HARVEY) ANDERSON

MY PARENTS MET IN 1943 AND WERE MARRIED JULY 2,1945 AT WILLOW CREEK CHURCH, ARGYLE ,ILLINOIS. THEY WERE MARRIED BY THE REV. ROBERT HUBBARD. THEY PURCHASED A HOME AT 3427 CALIFORNIA ROAD AND LIVED THERE TWO YEARS. DURING THIS TIME THEIR FIRST SON JAMES WAS BORN. THEY THEN BOUGHT A HOME ON [illegible] ROAD AND THERE A SECOND SON WAS BORN. (JON B.). THEY LIVED AT 3232 MARY ANN ROAD FOR TWO YEARS AND THEN PURCHASED A HOME AT 1824 20TH STREET. THERE THEIR FIRST DAUGHTER JANINE WAS BORN. THEY THEN PURCHASED THE HOME THEY LIVE IN NOW AT 2004 OREGON AVE.,ROCKFORD,ILL. WHERE THEY HAD A THIRD SON, JAY WILLIAM.

ROBERT AND JEAN WILL CELEBRATE THEIR 25TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY THIS JUNE. THEY ARE BOTH MEMBERS OF EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH. BOB IS FOOD SANITARIAN WITH WINNEBAGO COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. AND JEAN IS SUPERVISOR WITH THE CHAS. V. WEISE CO(COLONIAL WILLOW). THE CHILDREN OF THIS UNION ARE:

JAMES MILTON ANDERSON**JULY 20,1945

JON B. ANDERSON ** APRIL 8,1949**

JANINE KAY ANDERSON** NOV.6,1951**

JAY WILLIAM ANDERSON**SEPT 23,1957

JAMES M. ANDERSON

JAMES ANDERSON WAS BORN JULY 20,1946 IN ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS, SON OF ROBERT AND JEAN ANDERSON (HARVEY). HE ATTENDED ROLLING GREEN SCHOOL, AND GRADUATED FROM EAST HIGH SCHOOL IN 1964. HE ENTERED AND GRADUATED FROM MILWAUKEE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING. ALSO ATTENDS UNIV. OF WISC. (MILWAUKEE CAMPUS). MARRIED LINDA BUGOTKA AUGUST 3,1974. HE LIVES IN MILWAUKEE, WISC. HIS OCCUPATION IS ELECTRICAL ENGINEER. THEY HAVE NO CHILDREN

JON R. ANDERSON

JON R. ANDERSON WAS BORN APRIL 8,1949 IN ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS, SON OF ROBERT C. AND JEAN ANDERSON(HARVEY). ATTENDED ROLLING GREEN AND WHITEHEAD SCHOOL.GRADUATED FROM WESTERN ILL, MACOMB,ILLINOIS IN 1971. MARRIED JANICE YOUNGREN, AUGUST 21,1971. LIVES IN ROCKFORD, ILL. WORKS FOR [illegible] HAS ONE CHILD [illegible], BORN NOV. 20.1974

JANINE ANDERSON CHAMBERLAIN

JANINE ANDERSON WAS BORN NOV. 6,1951 IN ROCKFORD,ILL. DAUGHTER OF ROBERT C. AND JEAN ANDERSON(HARVEY). ATTENDED ROLLING GREEN AND WHITEHEAD SCHOOL. GRADUATED FROM EAST HIGH. WORKS FOR BELL TELEPHONE AS SERVICE REP. MARRIED WM CHAMBERLAIN, JUNE 10,1971. LIVES IN ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS. HAS ONE CHILD, BRIAN BORN MARCH 6, 1973.

JAY WILLIAM ANDERSON

JAY WILLIAM ANDERSON WAS BORN SEPT. 23.1957 IN ROCKFORD,ILLINOIS. SON OF ROBERT G. AND JEAN E. ANDERSON (HARVEY). ATTENDED THE WHITEHALL SCHOOL, LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL AND GRADUATED FROM EAST HIGH IN 1975. WAS CONFIRMED AND IS A MEMBER OF ARMENIAN EVANGELICAL CHURCH. ATTENDS ROCK VALLEY COLLEGE. IS A AVID GOLFER AND BOWLER. IS EMPLOYED AT THE WHITE PAPER, ELLIOTT GOLF COURSE

ANDERSON, ROGER LAVERNE, 1956-

PLEASE TYPE: PLEASE PLACE THESE SHEETS AT THE FRONT OF THE SECOND COPY OF YOUR FAMILY HISTORY.

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I. SURVEY

Office Use Code

1. Your name Roger L. Anderson (ID # ____)
Date of form April 26, 1975 (ID # ____)

2. Your college: Rock Valley College
Rockford, Illinois

3. Check the earliest date for which you have been able to say things about your family in your paper.

____ Before 1750 X 1750-1800 ____ 1800-1850
____ 1850-1900 ____ 1900 or later

4. Please check all regions of the United States in which members of your family whom you have discussed in your paper have lived.

____ New England (Mass., Conn., R.I.) X Middle Atlantic (N.Y., Penna., N.J., Va.) ____ South Atlantic (Ga., Fla., N.C., S.C.) ____ East South Central (La., Miss., Ala., Tenn, Ky.) ____ West South Central (Ark., N.M., Tex., Ok.) X East North Central (Mich., Ohio, Ind.) X Pacific (Cal., Wash.) ____ (Hawaii, Alaska) X (Ill., Wisc.,)

5. Please check all occupational categories in which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have found themselves.

X Farming ____ Mining ____ Shopkeeping or small business
X Transportation ____ Big Business X Manufacturing
X Professions X Industrial Labor X Other Logging

6. Please check all religious groups to which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have belonged.

____ Roman Catholic ____ Jewish ____ Presbyterian X Methodist
____ Baptist ____ Episcopalian ____ Congregational X Lutheran
____ Quaker ____ Mormon X Other Protestant ____ Other (name) ____

7. What ethnic and social groups are discussed in your paper?

X Swedish ____ Other Scandinavian X German ____ French
____ Blacks ____ Indians ____ Mexicans ____ Puerto Ricans ____ Eastern Europe
____ Jews ____ Central Europeans ____ Italians ____ Slavs
____ Irish ____ British X Native Americans over several generations
____ East Asian ____ Other (Name) Scotland - English

8. What sources did you use in compiling your family history?

X Interviews with other family members ____ Family Bibles X Family Genealogies
____ Land Records ____ The U.S. Census
X Vital Records
X Photographs ____ Maps ____ Other

II. FAMILY DATA

A. Grandfather (your father's side)

Name Hjalmar Theodore Anderson Current Residence _____

Date of birth April 2, 1891 Place of birth Billingsfors, Sweden

Date of death June 10, 1958 Place of burial Rockford Illinois

Education (number of years);
grade school 8 high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Logging	Dates 1906-1912	1st Rochester N.Y.	Dates 1913-1915
2nd Truck Farm laborer	Dates 1913-1915	2nd Dakota's	Dates 1915-1917
3rd Grain harvesting	Dates 1915-1917	3rd Batavia Ill	Dates 1917
4th Construction	Dates 1919-1956	4th Rockford, Ill	Dates 1919-1958

Religion Luthern

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Democrat, Baltic, B Vasa Lodge, Building & Common Labor Union of America

Place of Marriage to your grandmother B Geneva date Aug 9, 1920

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (A-1)

B. Grandmother (your father's side)

Name Mamie Caroline Freed Current Residence _____

Date of birth March 13, 1893 Place of birth Ottumwa, Iowa

Date of death Sept, 2, 1951 Place of burial Arlington Cem Rockford

Education (number of years):
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational _____
college _____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Packing Plant	Dates 1910-1918	1st Rockford Ill	Dates 1915-1951
2nd Housewife	Dates 1920-1951	2nd	Dates
3rd	Dates	3rd	Dates
4th	Dates	4th	Dates

Religion Luthern

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. Democrat, Vasa Lodge, Naiden Lodge, Dorcas Circle of Inter Luthern

Place of marriage to your grandfather Geneva date Aug 9, 1920

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (A-2).

A-2 Stepgrandfather (your father's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years)
grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____
college_____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc._____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandmother_____ date_____

B-2 Stepgrandmother (your father's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years):
grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____
college_____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc._____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandfather_____ Date_____

C. Grandfather (your mother's side)

Name Owen Eugene Griffis Current Residence

Date of birth August 30, 1894 Place of birth Manchester township

Date of death March 2, 1964 Place of burial Livingston cemetery

Education (number of years):

grade school 8 high school - vocational - college -

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Farming Dates 1st Galesburg, Illinois Dates 1903

2nd Dates 2nd Dates

3rd Dates 3rd Dates

4th Dates 4th Dates

Religion Methodist

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Republican, Mason, American Legion WCTU Grange, Pure Milk Association

Place of marriage to your grandmother Mount Morris, Illinois date Nov 9, 1921

NOTE: If your mother was raised by a stepfather or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (C-1)

D. Grandmother (your mother's side)

Name Thelma Catherine Hamer Current Residence

Date of birth July 29, 1902 Place of birth Leaf River

Date of death April 23, 1961 Place of burial Livingston cemetery

Education (number of years)

grade school 8 high school 2 vocational - college -

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Telephone Operator Dates 1919-1921 1st Mount Morris Dates 1919

2nd Home maker Dates 2nd Dates

3rd Dates 3rd Dates

4th Dates 4th Dates

Religion United Brethern

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. Republican, Sunshine Club, WSCS, Grange

Place of marriage to your grandfather Mount Morris, Illinois Date Nov. 9, 1921

NOTE: If your mother was raised by a stepmother or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (D-2)

C-2 Stepgrandfather (your mother's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years)

grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____ college_____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc._____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandmother_____ Date_____

D-2 Stepgrandmother (your mother's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years)

grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____ college_____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc._____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandfather_____ Date_____

CHILDREN of A & B (or A-2 or B-2) - your father's name should appear below

1. Name Arnold Freed Anderson
Place of birth Rockford Ill date January 5, 1921
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Finishing Eng.
Residence Rockford, Ill. Marital Status married
Number of children 3 Death

2. Name Dorothy Mae Anderson
Place of birth Rockford Ill date Nov. 11, 1923
Number of years of schooling 10 Occupation Secretary.
Residence Rockford Marital Status married
Number of children 2 Death

3. Name Albert Wendell Anderson
Place of birth Rockford Ill date Sept. 26, 1925
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Sales manager
Residence Rockford Ill Marital Status married
Number of children 3 Death

4. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

5. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children Death

6. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

7. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

8. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

9. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

10. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

CHILDREN of C and D (or C-2, D-2)-your mother's name should appear below

1. Name Jeanette Irene Griffis
Place of birth Caledonia date Sept. 15, 1922
Number of years of schooling 14 years Occupation L.P.N.
Residence Rockford, Illinois Marital Status married
Number of children 3 death

2. Name Wendell Eugene Griffis
Place of birth Caledonia date June 24, 1925
Number of years of schooling 10 years Occupation operating engineer
Residence Belvidere Illinois Marital Status married
Number of children 3 death

3. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

4. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

5. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

6. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

7. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

8. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

9. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

10. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

E. Your Father

Name Arnold Freed Anderson Current Residence Rockford

Date of birth January 8, 1921 Place of birth Rockford

Date of Death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational 1 college _____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Furniture Worker	Dates 1938	1st Rockford	Dates
2nd Assembler-Sandstrand	Dates 1939	2nd	Dates
3rd National Lock	Dates 1939 - 1976	3rd	Dates
4th Foundry clerk, quality control, finishing eng.	Dates	4th	Dates

Religion Luthern

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Republican, American Legion WWII, Baltic, Moose, VFW, Quality Control Society

Place of marriage to your mother Milwaukee Wisc date Aug. 24, 1946

NOTE: If you were raised by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (E-2)

F. Your Mother

Name Jeanette Griffis Anderson Current Residence Rockford, Illinois

Date of birth September 15, 1923 Place of birth Caledonia, Illinois

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational 2 college _____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Inspector	Dates 1940 1942	1st Belvidere, Wisc	Dates 1942 1943
2nd Clerical	Dates 1942 1943	2nd Long Beach, Cal	Dates 1943 1945
3rd Armed Forces Medical Asst.	Dates 1943 1945	3rd Rockford, Ill	Dates 1946 -
4th Home Maker Nurse - LPN	Dates 1968 - present	4th	Dates

Religion Luthern

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. Republican, YWCA

Place of marriage to your father Milwaukee Wisc date August 24, 1946

NOTE: If you were raised by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (F-2).

F-1 Stepfather

Name _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college ___

Occupation(s) | PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your mother _____ Date _____

F-2 Stepmother

Name _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college ___

Occupation(s) | PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your father _____ date _____

CHILDREN OF E AND F (or E-2,F-2) -YOUR NAME SHOULD APPEAR BELOW

1. Name Russell Norman Anderson
Place of birth Rockford, Ill Date of birth July 17, 1947
Number of years of schooling 16 Occupation teacher
Residence Rockford, Illinois Marital Status married
Number of children 1 death

2. Name Jannell Barbara Anderson
Place of birth Rockford Date of birth May 17, 1950
Number of years of schooling 16 Occupation special education teacher
Residence Peoria Illinois Marital Status single
Number of children — death

3. Name Roger LaVerne Anderson
Place of birth Rockford, Ill. Date of birth December 5, 1951
Number of years of schooling 13 Occupation student
Residence Rockford, Ill. Marital Status single
Number of children — death

4. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

5. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

6. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

7. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

8. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

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Signed Roger L. Anderson

Date April 20, 1976

Andres Larson
— 1861
— 1879
— 1903

Hjalmar Theodore Anderson

April 2, 1891
August 7, 1920
June 10, 1953

Annie Schwartz
— 1863
— 1946

Arnold Freed Anderson

January 5, 1921
August 24, 1946

Otto L. Freed

July 7, 1864
Dec 8, 1891
Sept , 1960

Mamie Caroline Freed

March 13, 1893

September 2, 1951

Anna L. Hokanson

June 14, 1866
April 1, 1953
Albert Griffis
September 5 1855
June 27, 1851
May 12, 1943

Roger LaVerne Anderson
December 5 1956

Owen Eugene Griffis

August 30, 1894
November 19, 1921
March 7, 1964

Jennie McFarland Ralston

September 2, 1894

Jeanette Irene Griffis

September 15, 1922

Haskell Hanmer

October 20, 1900

Thelma Catherine Hanmer

July 24, 1902
April 23, 1961

Carrie Scheiber

SOURCES

Information obtained from:

1. Arnold Freed Anderson
2. Jeanette Griffis Anderson
3. RussellNormon Anderson
4. Barbara Jannell Anderson
5. Dordthy Anderson Nelson
6. Evelyn Hanmer Clay
7. Eileen Bussey Delany
8. Olive Griffis Bussey

Hjalmar Theodore Anderson

Hjalmar Theodore Anderson was born on April 2, 1891 in Dalslad county Billingsfors Sweden youngest of seven. Hjalmar attended elementary school in Billingsfors and enjoyed winter sports, skiing, skating, and sledding. His father Andres Larson died when he was twelve so he was forced todo much of-the heavey work around the house, until he finally had to quite school when he was fourteen. He then went to work for a local logging company running logs down the river to the saw mill. Most of the other children in the family had moved on so Hjalmar was supporting a big loadnow. He continued logging until he was 22 when he decided to come to the United States. He arrived in 1913 on the ship Oscar II and then proceded to Rochester, N.Y. There he work for a truck farmer. In 1915 Hjalmar and some of his friends went west for a better opportunity to make some good money. He set ground in the Dakota's for two years and was harvesting grain in the local fields. Most of his friends had settled in Rockford so he came back east and set up his permanent residance.

In 1918 he was drafted into the army and reported to Camp Grant. He remained there and was discharge November 1919, the war was over. Hjalmar returned to Rockford and began construction work. He married a neighbor girl Mamie Freed on August 7, 192o. He then continued to helped constructed many prominant Rockford buildings; Swedish American Hospitol, National Guard Armory, Post Office, Bell Telephone Company and Zion Lutheran Church.

Mamie Caroline Freed

Mamie Caroline Freed was born March 13,1893 in Ottumwa Iowa second child of seven. Mamie got her formal education in Ottumwa and graduated from high school in1910. After graduation she work at Morrells Packing Company where she worked in the canned meat department. Mamie worked at Morrells until 1918 when she moved to Rockford to live with friends. She got a job at Free Sewing Machine and work there until 1920 when she married Hjalmar Anderson.

THIS CERTIFIES

THAT

Hjalmar T. Anderson
of Rockford
State of Illinois

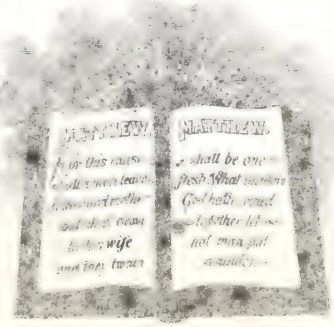
AND

Miamia C. Freck
of Ottumwa
State of Iowa

WERE UNITED IN

Holy Matrimony

According to the
State of
on the 7th day
in the year of OUR
Nine Hundred



in Geneva
and the Laws of the
Illinois
of August
LORD One Thousand
and Twenty

Mrs John J Nordling
Mrs Nora Peterson

D. P. Nordling
Lutheran Pastor

Hjamlar and Mamie Anderson

Mamie Anderson had her first son Arnold Freed on January 8, 1921. At the time they where living an Parmelle Street in a 4 room apartment. Shortly after Mamie and Hjamlar bought the only house they were to know on Seventeenth Avenue and Seventeenth Street. In 1922 this was a rural location. Dorothy Mae was born November 11,1923 the second child. On September 29, 1925 a third child was born Albert wendell and the family was complete. During this time Hjamlar had been saving money in hopes of returning to Sweden with his family but his plans were ruined when the depression came. In 1927 Hjamlar made an addition to the ho house which gave the family indoor pluming for the first time. Spare time was limited but they always found time to uphold the Swedish traditions they loved. Hjalmar lost his job for several years during the depression but he always managed to put food on the table by having a large garden. For heat many times they would go to the railroad tracks and get and ties they could find to chop up for wood. After the depression the construction business was on a boom and Hjalmar found work easy. Mamie was busy raising the children and carrying for the home. In 1949 Mamie became severly ill and passed away two years later. Hjamlar continued working till retirement at64 and enjoyed Social Security benefits till he was in a bad car accident which left him unconsious. He never regained consciousness and died two weeks later, June 1o, 1958.

Elvira Lodge, No. 522, Order of Vasa

Rockford, Illinois, Oct. 5 1951

SORGERESULATION:

Åter igen har en länk i vår syskonring brustit. när Syster Mamie Carolina Anderson avled sundags morgon den 2ra. Sept. 1951 i Swedish American Hospital

Syster Anderson var född den 13de Mars 1893 i Ottumwa, Iowa, Hon anslöt sig till Elvira Loge No. 522 Vasa Order of America den 15de. Dec. 1935.

Närmast sörjande är hennes maka, två söner och en dotter, samt hennes Fader och Moder i Iowa, två systrar och tre bröder och två Barnbarn samt många vänner och Orden syskon.

Skön är vilan under gröna kullen
Världens oro icke mer er når.
Slumra ljuvligt i den tysta mullen
tillen gång igen vi mötas får.

Härmed varder beslutad, att till den avlidnes minne, Logens Charter hölges med sorgeflor för en tid av 30 dagar, och denna resulation införes i Logens Protokoll, och en kopia av densamma tillsändes den avlidnes familj.

Rockford Ill. den 5th. Oct. 1951.

Ruby Anderson

Jena M. Carlson

Olga Larson

Resolutions Kommite.

to Camp Roberts in California for basic training and on to noncommissioned officers school. After graduation he came back to teach basic training to new draftees. In 1943 he was sent to the European Theater to serve under General Patton third infrantry. Arnold was injured in 1948 while Patton was marching to the Rhine and sent to a hospital in France. He returned to the U.S. and given a medical discharge and pupple heart. Arnold returned to Rockford and began working at National Lock Again in the cost estimating dept. In 1946 he married Jeanette Irene Griffis.

Officer Candidate Preparatory School

Infantry Replacement Training Center

CAMP ROBERTS, CALIFORNIA

Certificate

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to Certify that Private Arnold F. Anderson *has successfully completed the course of Instruction in the Officer Candidate Preparatory School and is hereby awarded this Certificate of Graduation.*

By Command of Brigadier General Fales.

Official

William H. Fowler
Major Infantry
Executive

George H. Lawrence
Lt. Col. Infantry
Commandant

The Infantry Replacement Training Center

Camp Roberts, California

This is to Certify that

PVT. ARNOLD F. ANDERSON

has satisfactorily completed the

Thirteen Weeks Schedule

of Training

DECEMBER 8, 1942 to MARCH 6, 1943

His special training has been as:

HEAVY WEAPONS COMPANY

By Command of Brigadier General Yates:

Commanding General

Owen Eugene Griffis

Owen Eugene Griffis born Augest 30, 1894 (twin of Olive) son of Albert and Jennie Ralston Griffis, early settlers in Manchester townshop Boone county. His mother died three days after the twins birth. Owen and Olive were taken to the homestead farm where they were raised by their Aunt Fedelia. This farm was obtained from the government by Owen Griffis Sr. where he lived nearly sixty years. This farm is still home to some of his descendents today. Owen attended Gray school for eight years and continued to learn farming . He farmed with his brother Bert until he goes into the service. Owen served in the army in WWI and was stationed at Camp MacArthur in Texas. He returned to farm again with his brother until he got married to Thelma Hammer in 1921. Owen knew the single farm was not enough to support his orother and Owen's familly also, so Owen rented and later bought the ajoining farm.

Thelma Catherine Hanmer

Thelma Catherine Hanmer was born July 29,1902 in Leaf River, Illinios first of four children. She attended grade school and two years of high school in Leaf River. Thelma became a telephone operator at Kable Bros. in Mount Morris when she was seventeen. Her parents were farmers but never owned their own property always rented, so they did not have strong roots. She enjoyed sewing as a hobby and was an excellent seamstress. Thelma also played the piano. Her family moved to a farm in Manchester township where she meet Owen Griffis. They were married in mount Morris on November 19,1921.

Owen and Thelma Griffis

Thelma Griffis had her first child Jeanette Irene on September15, 1922, she was bornin the original house of the grandfather. The happy couple moved to the farm that ajoined the grandfathers farm and set up house keeping. Thelma and Owen had their second child Wendell Eugene on June 24,1925. The land lord of Owen's farm had brought Ayershire cattle to this area from the east and Owen milk 25 head by;hand two times each day. What a job. The depression was being felt by all especially the farmers, it was a real struggle to get ahead. Owen also raised his own grain for feed and hey, but when everything was cut in half ti gets pretty tough. By 1946 Owen had worked hard and saved enough to buy the farm from the landlord. In 1956 they decided to build a new house on their property. In the rural community each day was seperate from the next and you felt the closeness of friends in good times and bad. Thelma lived in the mew house only five years as she died in 1961. Owen was beginning to show signs of the continual hard work put on him and passed away in March of 1964.

Jeanette Irene Griffis

Jeanette Irene Griffis was born September 15,1922 in the house of her great grandfather. She attended Gray school the same as her father did for eight yearsof elementary education. The walk to school was up the hill and them down the other side for about a mile and got tougher with the weather. Gray school was made of stone and about the size of a classroom today. Their were 25 students in the school and age ranged from six to fourteen. The school is still standing today. Jeanette had to work hard on the farm helping her parents, so she enjoyed her free time, which she spent on baseball, winter sports and church activities. When highschool came around she and her friends took the bus to Rockton to Hononegah High. Her senior year she was captain of the basketball team and participated in other school activities. Jeanette graduated from Hono negah in 1940 and began work at Free Sewing Machine in Belvidere where she inspected fuses for bombs. In 1943 she enlisted in the United Stated Navy, this was the first time the Navy wnlisted women. She became a Wave and was stationed at Long Beach California as a Medical assistant. Jeanette received an honarary discharge in1945 and returned to work in Rockford. She was an inspector at National Lock where she met Arnold Anderson and were married August 24,1946.

Boone County, Illinois

This Certifies That

Jeanette Irene Griffis

is awarded this Certificate for

One Hundred Perfect Spelling Lessons

[illegible] March 19 [illegible]

[illegible] May [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] 19

[illegible] 19

Given at Belvidere, Illinois.

October 30 1930

Gladys Brindle

TEACHER

Fred C. Kocher

COUNTY [illegible]

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Series C

Honorable Discharge

Before the

United States Navy

This is to certify that

JEANETTE IRENE GRIFFIS 17 HOSPITAL APPRENTICE SECOND CLASS V-1

is **Honorably Discharged** *from the* U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL, LONG BEACH,

CALIFORNIA *and from the Naval Service of the United States*

this 31st *day of* MARCH 1945

This certificate is awarded as a Testimonial of Fidelity and Obedience.

C.M. SHAAR CAPTAIN (MC) USN

Arnold and Jeanette Anderson

Jeanette Griffis and Arnold Anderson where married at Milwaukee on August 24, 1946. They returned to Rockford and began housekeeping in a one room apartment with kitchen privelages on the east side of town. They lived here for a year before they moved to a four room apartment on South ThirdStreet. Arnold was a Quality control inspector at this time and Jeanette had become a full time housewife. The Andersons had their first son shortly after, on July 22,1947 and named him Russell Norman. The small family enjoyed frequent visits to the Griffis farm. They were working hard and collecting a few household items here and there. On May 12, 1950 a second child was born, Jannell Barbara and the family was feeling the squeeze. A new home was needed, so the family decided to build a home on Nineteenth Avenue. While the house was being built the Andersons moved out to the Grlffis farm for eight months to save some money. They remained there until their home was finished in December 1951. Arnold was putting in a ten hour day at National Lock trying to get by so the family could enjoy a few wxtras life was offering. But any free time was spent putting in the lawn andfixing up the house. Russell and Barbara where both attending Hallstrom school through the sixth grade and looked forward to the summers spent on the farm. The family was attending Salem Lutheran Church and both childern were baptised there. The neighborhood was made up of young families with their young children like the Andersons so their was lots of time

spent together. A third child, Roger La Verne was born December3, 1956 he was a long awaited pleasure for the entire family. Arnold decided to build two more bedrooms upstairs for the older children and a recreation room downstairs for the family to enjoy. Jeanette had a full time job with three children to care fDD and a house to keep up, plus anytime to spend on herself. Russell graduated from Rockford East in 1965 and went on to college at Western Illinois University. Barbara was just starting at East and Roger just Finished Hallstrom. He would now go on to Jefferson Juinor High. With the children in school all day Jeanette began school herself at the Rockford School Of Nursing to pursue her medical backround. She received her diploma and began nursing at Americania Nursing Home, Arnold was working in the Product andDevelopment Dept. and saving for his childrens college education. Barbara graduated from East in 1968 and went on to Illinois State University. Rockford made the change over so Jefferson was a senior high school now and Roger continued on there. Russell married Sherry Frank this same year and rented an apartment off Harrison Avenue where they soon had a son Troy. With only one child left at home Arnold and Jeanette decided to move to a smaller house in Sierra Heights, were their older son had bought his house four years before. Barbara graduated from ISU and moved to Peoria where she is now teaching special education at Pleasant Valley School. Roger graduated from Jefferson in 1974 and went on to Rock Valley College. Arnold and Jeanette are still working and enjoy their free time caring for the beautiful lawn.

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DUPLICATE—This Copy for the Groom

Certificate of Marriage

Local Register Number: .....

Filing Date: .....

GROOM	BRIDE
Name: Arnold F. Anderson (Please print)	Name: Jeanette I. Griffis (Please print)
Residence (Town / Village / City): Rockford	Residence (Town / Village / City): Rockford
County: Winnebago State: Ill.	County: Winnebago State: Ill.
Date of Birth: 1-8-1921 Age: 25 Color: white	Date of Birth: 9-15-1922 Age: 25 Color: white
Birthplace County: Winnebago State: Ill.	Birthplace County: Boone State: Ill.
Marital status: Divorced Number of previous marriages: 1	Marital status: Single Widowed Divorced Number of previous marriages: none
Relationship to Bride: none	Relationship to Groom: none
Occupation: Prod. worker	Occupation: Inspector
Father's name: Ujalmar	Father's name: Owen
Mother's maiden name: Mamie Freed	Mother's maiden name: Thelma Hammer
Was a special dispensation issued? no	Bride's maiden name:

Licence No. 240522 Dated August 24 1946 194 , by Geo. F. Bradbrook County Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

N.G. Brueggemann, Minister

Sixth (Street) August (Street) Sixty (Street) 6

Sent to the Mount Olive Lutheran church 194 , at

Place of Marriage: Milwaukee County of Milwaukee Town (or) Village (or) City of Milwaukee

Date of Birth: Milwaukee Town, Village, City of County of State of Wisconsin

The above named groom and bride were by me united in marriage as authorized by a Marriage License issued for that purpose in the Clerk of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin, bearing 240522 and dated the Sixth August 194 .

Original Designation: Clergyman

Signature: [signature]

Post Office Address: 5321 W. Fish, Blvd. Milwaukee, Wisconsin

For credentials and filing the office of Clerk of Milwaukee County.

We, the undersigned, were present at the marriage of the above named groom and bride, as set forth in the foregoing certificate, at their request, and heard their declarations that they took each other for husband and wife.

Albert A. Anderson

Signatures of Two Witnesses: Mary J. Berner

Roger LaVerne Anderson

Roger LaVern Anderson was born December 3, 1956 the last of three children for Arnold and Jeanette Anderson. He was exposed to education at the age of three when he attended nursery school at theYWCA. Roger then attended Hallstrom the same school as his father had. He enjoyed school very much and participated at a maximum capacity. He was a safety patrol captain and earned the Patrol Boy Of The Year Award when he was in sixth grade. During this six years he took full advantage of the huge yard and empty field in back of the familys house. Roger played baseball during the summer and froze the yard over for hockey in the wonthr. He went on to Jefferson Juior High where he enjoyed playing basketball for the school team and remained interested in studies. He was mowing grass in the neighborhood to earn money which he liked to spend on model cars. Roger also started raising and breeding rabbits and he had 34 rabbits at one period. The summer before he was to start the ninth grade he and his friends had a 48 hour bike marathon, one of the first in Rockford. Roger remained at Jefferson for senior high and contributed to the basketball team. By this time he was old enough to get a part time job and so he started working at Hilander grocery store. He was eager to earn money so he could buy a car. When he graduated he had his car and then some extra left,he was moving up the ladder at Hilander. Roger enrolled at Rock Valley as a Life Science major, he was very interested in the human body and having amother for a nurse didn't hurt. He is now the number one part time employee at Hilander and attending Rock Valley College.

ANGLEMIRE, THOMAS ALLAN, 1954-

PLEASE USE INK; PLEASE PLACE THESE SHEETS AT THE FRONT OF THE SECOND COPY OF YOUR FAMILY HISTORY

Dear Contributor to the Rock Valley College Family History Collection:

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I. SURVEY

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1. Your name THOMAS ALAN ANGLEMIRE
   Date of form NOVEMBER 3 1974
2. Your college: Rock Valley College
   Rockford, Illinois
3. Check the earliest date for which you have been able to say things about your family in your paper.
   ____ Before 1750 ____ 1750-1800 X 1800-1850
   ____ 1850-1900 ____ 1900 or later
4. Please check all regions of the United States in which members of your family whom you have discussed in your paper have lived.
   ____ New England (Mass., Conn., R.I.) X Middle Atlantic (N.Y., Penna., N.J., Va.)
   ____ South Atlantic (Ga., Fla., N.C., S.C.) ____ East South Central (La., Miss., Ala., Tenn, Ky
   ____ West South Central (Ark., N.M., Tex., Ok.) X East North Central (Mich., Ohio, Ind. Ill. Wis.)
   ____ Pacific (Cal., Wash) ____ (Hawaii, Alaska)
   X Plains (ND, SD, Neb., Kan., Iowa, MO)
5. Please check all occupational categories in which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have found themselves.
   X Farming ____ Mining X Shopkeeping or small business
   X Transportation ____ Big Business X Manufacturing
   X Professions ____ Industrial labor ____ Other
6. Please check all religious groups to which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have belonged.
   ____ Roman Catholic ____ Jewish X Presbyterian X Methodist
   ____ Baptist ____ Episcopalian ____ Congregational X Lutheran
   ____ Quaker ____ Mormon ____ Other Protestant ____ Other
7. What ethnic and social groups are discussed in your paper?
   ____ Blacks ____ Indians ____ Mexicans ____ Puerto Ricans
   ____ Jews X Central Europeans ____ Italians ____ Slavs
   X Irish X British X Native Americans over several generations
   ____ East Asian ____ Other
8. What sources did you use in compiling your family history?
   X Interviews with other family members X Family Bibles X Family Genealogies
   X Vital Records ____ Land Records ____ The U.S. Census
   ____ Photographs ____ Maps ____ Other

I. FAMILY DATA

A. Grandfather (your father's side)

Name WALTER HARRISON ANGLEMIRE Current Residence ——
If dead, date of death MAY 9, 1966

Place of birth ROCKFORD Date of Birth JULY 30, 1890

Education (number of years):
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational — college —

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st SHOE SALESMAN	Dates —	1st ROCKFORD	Dates —
2nd CONTRACTOR	Dates —	2nd	Dates
3rd DELIVERY SERVICE	Dates —	3rd	Dates
4th	Dates	4th	Dates

Religion METHODIST

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS MEN'S GARDEN CLUB, AMERICAN LEGION, MASONS

Place of Marriage to your grandmother ROCKFORD date FEB 26, 1913

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (A-1)

B. Grandmother (your father's side)

Name ALMA STEVENS ANGLEMIRE Current Residence ——
If dead, date of death SEPT. 30, 1968

Place of birth OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS Date of birth JAN. 21, 1891

Education (number of years):
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational — college —

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st TEACHER	Dates —	1st ROCKFORD	Dates —
2nd	Dates	2nd	Dates
3rd	Dates	3rd	Dates
4th	Dates	4th	Dates

Religion METHODIST

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. ROCKFORD WOMEN'S CLUB

Place of marriage to your grandfather ROCKFORD DATE FEB 26, 1913

Note: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (A-1).

A-1 Stepgrandfather (your father's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of Birth _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandmother _____ date _____

A-2 Stepgrandmother (your father's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____

Education (number of years):
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ Date _____

Grandfather (your mother's side)

Name HALBERT LEW MATHRE Current Residence ——
If dead, date of death APRIL 4, 1957

Place of birth NETTLE CREEK, ILLINOIS Date of birth NOV. 20, 1878
Education (number of years):
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational ____ college 2 +

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st COMMERCIAL TEACHER Dates —— 1st STORY CITY, IOWA Dates ——

2nd GRAIN ELEVATOR OPERATOR Dates —— 2nd ____ Dates ____

3rd ____ Dates ____ 3rd ____ Dates ____

4th ____ Dates ____ 4th ____ Dates ____

Religion METHODIST
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. ____

Place of marriage to your grandmother PALMER NEBRASKA date AUG. 14, 1912
Note: If your mother was raised by a stepfather or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (C-1)

Grandmother (your mother's side)

Name OZMA STERETT MATHRE Current Residence ROCKFORD 728 N. GARDINER
If dead, date of death ____

Place of birth HENDERSON, IOWA Date of birth DECEMBER 29, 1884
Education (number of years)
grade school 8 high school — vocational — college 2 +

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st TEACHER Dates —— 1st IOWA Dates ——

2nd ____ Dates ____ 2nd NEBRASKA Dates 1898

3rd ____ Dates ____ 3rd DAVIS JUNCTION, ILL Dates ____

Religion METHODIST
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. ____

Place of marriage to your grandfather PALMER NEBRASKA date AUG. 14, 1912
Note: If your mother was raised by a stepmother or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (D-2)

D-1 Stepgrandfather (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandmother _____ date _____

D-2 Stepgrandmother (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

Religion _____
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ Date _____

CHILDREN of A & B (or A1 or B1) - your father's name should appear below

1. Name BETTY LOUISE ANGLEMIRE
Place of birth _____ date MARCH 2, 1919 - MARCH 7, 1919
Number of years of schooling — Occupation —
Residence — Marital Status —
Number of children —

2. Name WALTER WAYNE ANGLEMIRE
Place of birth _____ date AUGUST 1, 1921 - APRIL 15, 1929
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation —
Residence — Marital Status —
Number of children —

3. Name ALLAN TEAGUE ANGLEMIRE
Place of birth ROCKFORD date MARCH 19, 1926
Number of years of schooling 14 Occupation DELIVERY SERVICE
Residence ROCKFORD 166 Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 2

4. Name NANCY ANGLEMIRE HERTKE
Place of birth ROCKFORD date FEB. 1, 1931
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation —
Residence GROVE CITY, MINN. Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 3

5. Name _____
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence _____ Marital Status _____
Number of children _____

6. Name _____
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence _____ Marital Status _____
Number of children _____

7. Name _____
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence _____ Marital Status _____
Number of children _____

8. Name _____
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence _____ Marital Status _____
Number of children _____

9. Name _____
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence _____ Marital Status _____
Number of children _____

10. Name _____
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence _____ Marital Status _____
Number of children _____

CHILDREN of C and D (or C-1, D-1)-your mother's name should appear below

1. Name LUCILLE MATHRE MCGAHA
Place of birth _____ date AUGUST 30, 1915
Number of years of schooling 12 + Occupation PIANO INSTRUCTOR
Residence OXFORD MISSISSIPPI Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 1

2. Name J. MILLARD MATHRE
Place of birth LINDEN WOOD ILLINOIS date MAY 16, 1922
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation WOODWARD GOVERNOR
Residence FORT COLLINS COLO. Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 3

3. Name HELEN MATHRE AMBLEMIRE
Place of birth LINDEN WOOD ILLINOIS date NOV. 12, 1923
Number of years of schooling 16 Occupation _____
Residence OXFORD Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 2

4. Name _____
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence _____ Marital Status _____
Number of children _____

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Residence _____ Marital Status _____
Number of children _____

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Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence _____ Marital Status _____
Number of children _____

10. Name _____
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence _____ Marital Status _____
Number of children _____

Your Father

Name ALLAN TEAGUE ANGLEMIRE Current Residence ROCKFORD ILL.
If dead, date of death

Place of birth ROCKFORD Date of birth MARCH 14, 1926
Education (number of years)
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational college 2

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st SJOSTROM CONT. Dates — 1st ROCKFORD Dates —
2nd BARBER COLMAN Dates — 2nd Dates
3rd ANGLEMIRE DEL. SERV. Dates — 3rd Dates
4th Dates 4th Dates
Religion METHODIST

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc.

Place of marriage to your mother ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS Date SEPT. 3, 1948
NOTE: If you were raised by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (E-2)

Your Mother

Name HELEN MATHRE ANGLEMIRE Current Residence ROCKFORD ILL.
If dead, date of death

Place of birth LINDENWOOD ILLINOIS Date of birth NOV. 12, 923
Education (number of years)
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational college 4

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st ILL. BELL TELEPHONE Dates 1945-1951 1st ROCKFORD Dates 1941 —
2nd Dates 2nd Dates
3rd Dates 3rd Dates

Religion METHODIST
Political party, civil or social clubs, committees, etc.

Place of marriage to your father ROCKFORD ILLINOIS Date SEPT. 3, 1948
NOTE: If you were raised by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (F-2).

E-1 Stepfather

Name _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____
Religion
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your mother _____ Date _____

F-2 Stepmother

Name _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____
Religion
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your father _____ date _____

CHILDREN of E and F (or E-2, F-2) - your name should appear below.

Name SUE ANGLEMIRE KURTZ
Place of birth ROCKFORD Date of Birth APRIL 10, 1952
Number of years of schooling 16 Occupation JOURNALIST
Residence ST. CHARLES MISSOURI Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children —

Name THOMAS ALLAN ANGLEMIRE
Place of birth ROCKFORD Date of Birth NOV. 27, 1954
Number of years of schooling 13 Occupation STUDENT
Residence ROCKFORD ILLINOIS Marital Status SINGLE
Number of children —

Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

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Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

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Signed Thomas A. Anglemire
Date November 27, 1979

Thomas Allan Anglemire
B. November 27, 1954

Allan Teague Anglemire
B. March 19, 1926
M. September 3, 1948

Walter Harrison Anglemire
B. July 30, 1890
M. February 26, 1913
D. May 9, 1966

Walter Harrison Anglemire
B. May 22, 1855
M. June 27, 1878
D. 1916

Elizabeth Teague Anglemire
B. June 29, 1857
D. February 14, 1902

Alma Stevens Anglemire
B. January 21, 1891
D. September 30, 1968

George Stevens
B. March 18, 1856
M. October 23, 1878
D. February 8, 1937

Abby Rothwell Stevens
B. January 30, 1859
D.

Helen Mathre Anglemire
B. November 12, 1923

Halbert Lew Mathre
B. November 20, 1878
M. August 14, 1912
D. April 4, 1957

Anders Larson Mathre
B. December 6, 1832
M. April 22, 1854
D. February 6, 1916

Ingeborg Thomason Mathre
B.
D. 1900

Ozma Sterett Mathre
B. December 29, 1889

James Alba Sterett
B. September 23, 1856
M. February 12, 1888
D. June 11, 1946

Nancy Graham Sterett
B. June 4, 1860
D. February 12, 1957

LIST OF SOURCES

1) Interviews with family members
2) Family Bibles
3) Family scrapbooks
4) Family genealogies
5) Newspaper clippings

TRACING BACK THE ANGLEMIRE NAME

ROBERT ANGLEMIRE

Robert Anglemire was born on February thirteenth, 1831, in Mount Michel or Mount Bethel, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. On August ninteenth, 1854, he and Elizabeth J. Smith were married in Pennsylvania. They had three children, Walter Harrison, John, and Zadah. Elizabeth Smith Anglemire died on May twenty-first, 1863. On May twenty-second, 1866, Robert married Caroline L. Troxel of Rockford. They also had three children, William, Grace, and Edith.

In 1870, Robert came to Rockford, where he lived for a large part of the rest of his life. He had been in Rockford for a while in the late sixties, but had returned to Pennsylvania. Soon after Robert settled in Rockford, he started in business as a manufacturer of boots and shoes. He was the first shoe manufacturer in Rockford and carried on a flourishing trade until October first, 1902. At that time he sold his business to the Rockford Shoe Company, retired, and moved back to his old home in Pennsylvania. Robert lived there for five years, coming back to Rockford in March of 1907, to live with his son, John. Shortly after his return to Rockford, he suffered a stroke from which he never fully recovered. His health failed him rapidly after that, and he passed away on August twenty-sixth, 1907.

Robert Anglemire's obituary in an old Rockford newspaper states that he "...was a man of excellent qualities of mind and character. In his long bussiness career he established a reputation for honesty and upright dealing that never flagged in the least," quite a tribute to a great man.

TRACING BACK THE ANGLEMIRE NAME

WALTER HARRISON ANGLEMIRE

Walter Harrison Anglemire was born on May twenty-second, 1856, in Centerville, Pennsylvania, son of Robert Anglemire and Elizabeth Smith Anglemire. He came to Rockford with his parents in 1870, living here the rest of his life. When he was old enough, he started working with his father in the shoe business, where he worked until five years before his death.

On June twenty-seventh, 1878, Walter married Elizabeth Teague. Together, they had two children, Eva and Walter Harrison junior. Elizabeth Teague Anglemire died on February fourteenth, 1902. Walter then married Grace Haggerty. In 1916, Walter died in Rockford Hospital, where he had been for two weeks for an operation.

Walter was a member of the Knights of Pythias, and was active in the affairs of the lodge.

WALTER HARRISON ANGLEMIRE

Walter Harrison Anglemire was born on July thirtieth, 1890, in Rockford, in his parents home. His parents were Walter Harrison Anglemire and Lizzie Teague Anglemire. He went to Kent School(no longer in existence) in Rockford and graduated from Rockford Central High School. Not much is known about his younger years. Before he went to school in the mornings he would go down to his fathers boot and shoe factory and help out a little. He was an excellent orator and in high school was on the debate team. It was there in high school where he met his future wife, Alma Stevens.

After he graduated from high school, Walter was employed by his father as a traveling salesman. He traveled to the neighboring cities and towns and took orders for shoes.

On February twenty-sixth, 1913, Walter and Alma Stevens were united in marraige in Rockford.

ALMA STEVENS

Alma Stevens was born on January twenty-first, 1891, in Kishwaukee, Illinois, daughter of George Stevens and Abby Rothwell Stevens. Not much is known about her childhood. She went to Kishwaukee Community Grade School and graduated from Rockford Central High School in 1909. After high school, she taught at Gonzalez School for a year in Rockford. While Alma was in high school and while she taught, she roomed with friends or relatives. On February twenty-sixth, 1913, she married Walter Harrison Anglemire, whom she had met in high school.

WALTER HARRISON ANGLEMIRE and ALMA STEVENS ANGLEMIRE

Walter Harrison Anglemire and Alma Stevens were married on February twenty-sixth, 1913, in her parent's home in Kishwaukee. At this time, Alma quit her teaching and the couple moved into a house on Montague street in South Rockford. After about three years there, they moved out on a farm, part of which Walter built. This farm still stands, on Edwardsville road, just south of Rockford, and the name W. ANGLEMIRE is still emblazoned on the stone silo.

World War ~~Two~~ One was just getting going at this time, so Walter sold the farm, thinking he might get drafted. He did'nt, so he enlisted in 1917, serving for a brief six months at Fort Benjamin Harrison at Indianapolis, Indiana. Upon Walter's release from the army, he and Alma moved to Elsworth street in 1918. They lived here for about five years and then moved to 1620 Prospect court, where they lived for most of the rest of their lives.

The young family started to grow, but tragedy struck almost immediately. Their first child, Betty Louise, was born on March second, 1919, and died in infancy on March seventh, 1919. Their second child, Walter Wayne, was born on August first, 1921, and died on April fifteenth, 1929. They fared better with their next two children; Allan Teague, born on March ninteenth, 1926, and Nancy Etta, now Mrs. Clifford Hedtke of Grove City, Minnesota, born on February first, 1931.

After the army and prior to the early thirties, Walter held several different jobs, most of them involving contracting and wrecking. In the early thirties, his work developed into a

delivery service, which is still in operation today. In 1926, Walter bought an old garage on South Madison street, ~~where he operated out of~~. When the Depression hit in 1929, Walter lost the garage, but he rented it out from then on, and it is still rented today by his son, Allan. Meanwhile, since Walter had gotten out of the army, he had been aquiring land in and around Rockford. This too, was swept away by the Depression, and he only managed to save the land his house sat on and a bit less than an acre across the street. During the Depression, the family had to tighten up, and throughout these years there was usually a boarder in the house.

In the early forties, Alma was often bed-ridden, because she developed a very painful form of arthritis. It was later discovered that one side of her hip bone had grown together, so she had to walk with a cane or a walker for the rest of her life.

Walter was involved with the Knights of Pythias, the Men's Garden Club, the American Legion, and the Masons, and both he and Alma were members of Centennial Methodist Church. Alma was a member of the Rockford Women's Club and was always busy with the church. In his spare time, Walter worked in his beautiful garden, which was on his lot across the street, and he grew just about everything there was to grow - corn, asparagus, tomatoes, beets, potatoes, strawberries, pears, apples, peaches, plums, and grapes, which grew on a hundred foot long grape arbor. In just one year alone, he was able to pick one hundred twenty-four quarts of strawberries. Walter also grew countless varieties of beautiful flowers. Every year he gave away what he grew in his garden, which was more than enough for the family. Every year the Anglemire family took a long motor trip, and

they traveled to Texas, Mexico, Canada, Florida, and New York. On May ninth, 1966, Walter suffered a heart attack and passed away. Alma had a stroke shortly after that and lived for a while in the Alma Nelson Manor. She moved later to the Rockford Sanitarium, where she died on September thirtieth, 1968.

The Anglemires were a well known and highly respected family who never failed in their generosity and thoughtfulness.

ALLAN TEAGUE ANGLEMIRE

Allan Teague Anglemire was born on March ninteenth, 1926, third child of Walter Harrison Anglemire and Alma Stevens Anglemire. He was born in Rockford.

Allan lived in a roomy two story house at 1620 Prospect Court all his life until he got married, except for a brief stay in the army. He went to nearby Jackson School for first to sixth grades, seventh to ninth grades at Lincoln Junior High School, and tenth to twelfth grades at East High School, from where he graduated in February, 1944. In high school, Allan was involved with the A Cappella choir, the folk dancing group, and the wrestling team. In both junior and senior high school, he was active with his church youth group, the Epworth League. In high school, Allan worked for Chas. V. Weises for four dollars a week. His job consisted of taking the Weises mail to the Post Office, six days a week. He always had jobs at home, also, and they included mowing the lawn, cleaning out the garage, feeding the chickens, and weeding out the garden.

When Allan was young there were many other boys in the neighborhood, so he was always kept busy. Together they played baseball, rode bicycles and just about anything else that could be imagined of young boys. Allan recieved his own bicycle when he was twelve, a real delight. Around the time of Allan's birth, his father built a beautiful, big playhouse, complete with glass windows and front porch. This playhouse is still in existence somewhere in Rockford.

After Allan graduated from high school, he enlisted in the Army Air Force, in April of 1944. When the war ended, he was

given an honorable discharge in November of 1945. When Allan got out of the army, he worked for his father's delivery service, until he entered Northern Illinois Teachers College (now Northern Illinois University) at Dekalb in September of 1946. He attended Northern until March of 1948, having completed five quarters. In May of 1948, Allan started working for Sjostrom & Son Contractors until shortly after his marraige. While he was still at Northern, he met Helen Mathre at a YWCA Coed Club dance. They went together for about a year and a half and were then married on September third, 1948, in Court Street United Methodist Church, in Rockford.

HALBERT LEW MATHRE

Halbert Lew Mathre was born on November twentieth, 1878, in Nettle Creek, Illinios, son of Anders Larson Mathre and Ingeborg Thomson Mathre. Very little is known about his childhood. When he was young he always lived on a farm. Sometime in his youth he moved to a farm near Story City, Iowa.

He attended Pleasant View College in Ottawa, Illinios, and Highland Park College in Des Moines, Iowa, where he recieved a Masters Degree in commercial studies. He then taught in Wisconsin, in Oregon, and Saint Paul Normal College, where he met his future wife, Ozma Graham Mathre. They dated for a while and were married on August fourteenth, 1912, in Palmer, Nebraska.

OZMA GRAHAM MATHRE

Ozma Graham Mathre was born December twenty-ninth, 1889, on her parent's farm in Mills County, Iowa. Her parents were James Alba Sterett and Nancy Graham Sterett. She had one brother and two sisters, all younger. James Sterett was a grain farmer,(wheat, oats, barley) but he also kept a few cows and some pigs and chickens. When Ozma was nine, the family moved out west to another farm, in Nance County, Nebraska. In Nebraska, the closest small town was Fullerton; back in Iowa the closest town was Henderson.

Ozma went from first to eighth grades in one room school houses in both of these locations. When she was young she played with corn cob dolls which the childred made themselves. They played childred's games such as skip-rope and hide-and-go-seek. In the wintertime all the childred looked forward to going sledding or skating on a nearby pond.

Discipline was strict in the Sterett home, as a switch was used, but overall, love was the dominant force in the four children's upbringing. The Sterett family lived in a frame house in both Iowa and Nebraska which got its heat from what was known as a base burner. The base burner was in the living room and it burned hard coal. The kitchen stove, which was fed corn cobs, also provided heat. The only light at night would be the light of a kerosene lamp. To keep warm at night they used hot water bottles and, of course, plenty of blankets and quilts. Ozma had chores enough to keep her busy and among them were to keep the corn cob bin full,(for the kitchen stove) hoe and weed the garden, wash or dry dishes, and occasionally she

ran the cream separator and milked cows.

The hard life of the farm was not without it's good times, though. For the community there were ice cream socials, the yearly Christmas program at school, and the county fair. The county fair was an all day affair at which the family would all go together. A lunch basket was brought so there was a picnic in the afternoon. On Saturdays, Ozma's parents usually went into town and sometimes the children were lucky enough to go with them. In town they would sell their milk, butter, and eggs, and buy the few neccesary items they needed. On Sundays the whole family went to church which was held in the schoolhouse.

When Ozma completed eighth grade, the year was about 1903, and few farm children went to any more school, but she went to Saint Paul Normal College, in Saint Paul, Nebraska(this was a common practice then, as education was on a lower standard) for two years and then a few summers of summer school. In one of her classes here, she met her future husband, Halbert Lew Mathre, who was one of her teachers.

After her graduation, Ozma taught for five years in grade schools in Nebraska. It was during those five years that H. Lew Mathre returned from Oregon, where he had been teaching briefly to court Ozma. Their dates consisted of Sunday strolls along the railroad tracks and community concerts. On August fourteenth, 1912, they were married in Palmer, Nebraska.

HALBERT LEW MATHRE and OZMA GRAHAM STERETT

H. Lew Mathre and Ozma Sterett were wed on August fourteenth, 1912. The young couple settled down in Saint Paul, but not for long. They moved to Chicago where H. Lew taught at the Gregg School of Business(of Gregg shorthand fame). He was a personal friend of Mr. Gregg. Three years later they moved to Yorkville, where Lew taught for a year or two. Then they moved to Lindenwood, Illinios, where Lew bought a grain elevator. He quit his teaching proffesion then because he felt there was more money in the grain elevator. They had previously had a daughter, Lucille, born in Nebraska in 1915, and here in Lindenwood, they had James Millard, born May sixteenth, 1922, and Helen Burdette, born on November twelfth, 1923. In 1927 Lew had a chance to buy a grain elevator in Davis Junction, as he was only a partner among many in the elevator at Lindenwood. Here in Davis Junction the family lived for many years.

H. Lew Mathre was a man of great faith, and moderation. He used to have a piece of licorice in his pocket on his suit, and every Sunday, after dinner, he would take one bite off of it, and then put the remaining piece back in his pocket, typifying his great willpower. Ozma Mathre was a very serious and reserved person who was always very interested in politics and the world situation. The Mathre family lived a fairly uneventful life. In 1938, the family took a months vacation out to Idaho to visit relatives.

On April fourth, 1957, Halbert Lew Mathre died. In 1963, Ozma Mathre moved to Rockford, where she presently lives, at 728 North Gardiner Avenue.

HELEN BURDETTE MATHRE

Helen Burdette Mathre was born on November twelfth, 1923, in her parent's home in Lindenwood, Ogle county, Illinois. She was the third child of Halbert Lew Mathre and Ozma Sterett Mathre.

When Helen was three years old the family moved to Davis Junction, a few miles north of Lindenwood in Ogle county, where her her father bought his new grain elevator. There the family lived in a two story frame house on Illinois highway 72.

Helen went from first to eighth grades in a two room schoolhouse in Davis Junction. For ninth grade, she went to Lincoln Junior High School in Rockford. She spent her sophomore and junior years at Rockford Central High School and for her senior year she went to the newly built East High School, from where she was graduated in 1941. Her parents chose the Rockford schools over nearby Stillman Valley because a wider choice of classes was offered.

The Mathres have always been a very close family. For their children, they were firm believers of the razor strap as a means of discipline, and they instilled such desirable qualities as honesty, responsibility, obedience, and thriftiness. When Helen was young she was given a nickel for an allowance and of this, part went to church and part was set aside to be saved. On Sunday the whole family went to Sunday school and church at the Davis Junction Methodist Church. Helen had a few jobs to do around the house and among them were to dust the floors around the rugs and drying dishes.

For entertainment during the summer there were movies

shown outside against a building every Saturday night. Once a year there was a school Christmas program, and, at the end of the school year there was the school picnic. These were both major events of the small town, and were attended by just about everyone. As for entertainment in the home, the family always had a radio, and when Helen was very young the family bought a piano, a luxury in those days. All the children took lessons.

Helen had many friends, and together they played dolls, jacks, and made mudpies. Sometimes, she would go over to her father's grain elevator and he would give them their favorite blackjack gum.

After Helen graduated from East High School, she went to Rockford College, from where she was graduated in 1945. She had a major in english and a minor in music. After she graduated she worked for a short time in Camp Grant as a secretary. After that she worked at the Illinois Bell Telephone Company as a service representative from 1946 to 1951. When she started at the telephone company, she lived at the YWCA until her marriage. While at the YWCA, she was active in the Coed Club, which sponsored swimming, dancing, volleyball, and bridge.

It was at a Coed Club dance one night that Helen met Allan Anglemire. They started dating and about a year they got engaged. Then, on September third, 1948, they were married at Court Street United Methodist Church.

ALLAN ANGLEMIRE and HELEN MATHRE ANGLEMIRE

Allan Anglemire and Helen Mathre Anglemire were married on September third, 1948. They honeymooned in Wisconsin. They resided briefly at three locations before settling down at their present residence at 1116 Winthrop Lane, Rockford. In 1952, their first child, a daughter, was born. She was Sue Karen, born on April tenth. On November twenty-seventh, 1954, a son was born, Thomas Allan.

One of the family's many interests is antique automobiles. Allan has owned 1911 and 1923 Model "T" Fords, a 1926 Dodge, and a 1925 Lincoln. He presently owns two Lincolns, 1926 and 1928, one of which he is restoring. The family often took weekend trips with antique automobile clubs in the area. In 1961 the Anglemires traveled three thousand miles to Washington, D.C., New York, and back through Michigan and the Great Lakes area in the 1925 Lincoln, a credit to the durable old car.

When Allan was first married, he worked briefly at Barber-Colman and at Sjostrom Construction, but he was soon working for his father's delivery service, where he has been ever since. In 1966, when his father died, he took over the business, which is located at 117 South Madison Street.

Meanwhile, Sue and Tom were going to school. They went from kindergarden to sixth grades at Bloom School, seventh to ninth grades at Lincoln Junior High School, and tenth to twelfth grades at Guilford High School from where Sue graduated in 1970, and Tom graduated in 1972. At Guilford, Sue was involved in the Pom-Pom Corps and the school paper, Valhalla. Tom was active in the band and the wrestling team. After her

graduation, Sue went on to Valparaiso University, from which she graduated in 1974 with a Bachelors Degree in journalism and history. She ~~got~~ married on May twenty-fifth, 1974, and now resides in Saint Charles, Missouri, as Ms. Kraig Kurtz. She works as a staff writer for the Saint Charles Banner. After Tom graduated he worked briefly at John S. Barnes Corporation, and at Amerock Corporation. In 1974 he started college at Rock Valley Junior College, having had two years off from school. Also, during these two years, he did volunteer work at Contact, a telephone listening service, where he completed two hundred hours of active duty.

Helen keeps busy playing golf in the summer and is involved with various church organizations. She also serves on committees at the YWCAand with her golf club(organization).

ARNOLD, WILLIAM RALPH, 1948-

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   ____1850-1900 ____1900 or later

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   ____Transportation ✓ Big Business ____Manufacturing
   ✓ Professions ____Industrial Labor ____Other _____

6. Please check all religious groups to which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have belonged.

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   ____Quaker ____Mormon ____Other Protestant ____Other (name)

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   ____Irish ✓ British ✓ Native Americans over several generations
   ____East Asian ____Other(Name) _____

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   ✓ Vital Records
   ✓ Photographs ____Maps ____Other

II. FAMILY DATA

A. Grandfather (your father's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____
Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education(number of years);
grade school ___ high school ___ vocational ___ college ___

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of Marriage to your grandmother _____ date _____
NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (A-1)

B. Grandmother (your father's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____
Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years):
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____
college 4

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ date _____

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (A-2).

A-2 Stepgrandfather (your father's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years)
grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____
college_____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc._____

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Place of marriage to your grandmother_____ date_____

B-2 Stepgrandmother (your father's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years):
grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____
college_____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc._____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandfather_____ Date_____

C. Grandfather (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years):

grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc.

_____

Place of marriage to your grandmother _____ date _____

NOTE: If your mother was raised by a stepfather or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (C-1)

D. Grandmother (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)

grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ Date _____

NOTE: If your mother was raised by a stepmother or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (D-1)

C-2 Stepgrandfather (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)

grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandmother _____ Date _____

D-2 Stepgrandmother (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)

grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ Date _____

CHILDREN of A & B (or A-2 or B-2) - your father's name should appear below

1. Name [illegible]
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation [illegible]
Residence [illegible] Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children [illegible] Death [illegible]

2. Name [illegible]
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation [illegible]
Residence [illegible] Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children [illegible] Death _____

3. Name [illegible]
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence [illegible] Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children [illegible] Death _____

4. Name [illegible]
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence [illegible] Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children [illegible] death _____

5. Name [illegible]
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence [illegible] Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children [illegible] Death _____

6. Name [illegible]
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence _____ Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children [illegible] death _____

7. Name _____
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence _____ Marital Status _____
Number of children _____ death _____

8. Name _____
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence _____ Marital Status _____
Number of children _____ death _____

9. Name _____
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence _____ Marital Status _____
Number of children _____ death _____

10. Name _____
Place of birth _____ date _____
Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
Residence _____ Marital Status _____
Number of children _____ death _____

CHILDREN of C and D (or C-2, D-2)-your mother's name should appear below

1. Name _____
   Place of birth _____ date _____
   Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
   Residence _____ Marital Status _____
   Number of children _____ death _____

2. Name _____
   Place of birth _____ date _____
   Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
   Residence _____ Marital Status _____
   Number of children _____ death _____

3. Name _____
   Place of birth _____ date _____
   Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
   Residence _____ Marital Status _____
   Number of children 4 death _____

4. Name _____
   Place of birth _____ date _____
   Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
   Residence _____ Marital Status _____
   Number of children _____ death _____

5. Name _____
   Place of birth _____ date _____
   Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
   Residence _____ Marital Status _____
   Number of children _____ death _____

6. Name _____
   Place of birth _____ date _____
   Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
   Residence _____ Marital Status _____
   Number of children _____ death _____

7. Name _____
   Place of birth _____ date _____
   Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
   Residence _____ Marital Status _____
   Number of children _____ death _____

8. Name _____
   Place of birth _____ date _____
   Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
   Residence _____ Marital Status _____
   Number of children _____ death _____

9. Name _____
   Place of birth _____ date _____
   Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
   Residence _____ Marital Status _____
   Number of children _____ death _____

10. Name _____
    Place of birth _____ date _____
    Number of years of schooling _____ Occupation _____
    Residence _____ Marital Status _____
    Number of children _____ death _____

E. Your Father

Name RALPH CARLTON ARNOLD Current Residence _____

Date of birth [illegible]-4-1926 Place of birth _____

Date of Death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st FARMING	Dates _____	1st _____	Dates _____
2nd [illegible]	Dates _____	2nd _____	Dates _____
3rd _____	Dates _____	3rd [illegible]	Dates _____
4th _____	Dates _____	4th [illegible]	Dates [illegible]

Religion CATHOLIC

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your mother [illegible] date [illegible]

NOTE: If you were raised by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (E-2)

F. Your Mother

Name [illegible] Current Residence [illegible]

Date of birth [illegible] Place of birth [illegible]

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college [illegible]

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st TEACHER	Dates _____	1st _____	Dates _____
2nd _____	Dates _____	2nd _____	Dates _____
3rd _____	Dates _____	3rd [illegible]	Dates _____
4th _____	Dates _____	4th [illegible]	Dates _____

Religion [illegible]

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your father _____ date _____

NOTE: If you were raised by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (F-2).

1-2 Stepfather

Name _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college ___

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your mother _____ Date _____

Stepmother

Name _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college ___

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates ___

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates ___

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates ___

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates ___

Religion _____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your father _____ date _____

CHILDREN OF E AND F (or E-2,F-2) -YOUR NAME SHOULD APPEAR BELOW

1. Name_____
Place of birth_____ Date of birth_____
Number of years of schooling_____ Occupation_____
Residence_____ Marital Status_____
Number of children_____ death_____

2. Name_____
Place of birth_____ Date of birth_____
Number of years of schooling_____ Occupation_____
Residence_____ Marital Status_____
Number of children_____ death_____

3. Name_____
Place of birth_____ Date of birth_____
Number of years of schooling_____ Occupation_____
Residence_____ Marital Status_____
Number of children_____ death_____

4. Name_____
Place of birth_____ Date of birth_____
Number of years of schooling_____ Occupation_____
Residence_____ Marital Status_____
Number of children_____ death_____

5. Name_____
Place of birth_____ Date of birth_____
Number of years of schooling_____ Occupation_____
Residence_____ Marital Status_____
Number of children_____ death_____

6. Name_____
Place of birth_____ Date of birth_____
Number of years of schooling_____ Occupation_____
Residence_____ Marital Status_____
Number of children_____ death_____

7. Name_____
Place of birth_____ Date of birth_____
Number of years of schooling_____ Occupation_____
Residence_____ Marital Status_____
Number of children_____ death_____

8. Name_____
Place of birth_____ Date of birth_____
Number of years of schooling_____ Occupation_____
Residence_____ Marital Status_____
Number of children_____ death_____

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Signed_____

Date_____

GENEALOGY CHART

Harley Rejinald ARNOLD
Grandfather
Born: Feb. 12, 1890

Married:

Died: Sept. 5, 1958

Ralph Carlton ARNOLD
Father
Born: Dec. 4, 1926

Married: Nov. 12, 1947

Died:

Grace Marie HALL
Grandmother
Born: Mar. 5, 1889

Died: Sept. 7, 1971

William Ralph [illegible] Jr.

Born: Dec. 9, 1948

Married: Mar. 2, 1970

Died:

Samuel [illegible]
Great-Grandfather
Born: Sept. 10, 1859
Married: June 21, 1884
Died: Jan. 16, 1932

Ralph Dolton [illegible]
Grandfather
Born: Apr. 23, 1890

Married: Oct. 25, 1917

Died: Jan. 27, 1953

Eva [illegible]
Great-Grandmother
Born: Dec. 20, 1855
Died: Oct. 7, 1921

Eva Margaret [illegible]
Mother
Born: Mar. 14, 1926

Died:

Agnes Louise [illegible]
Grandmother
Born: June 21, 1892

Died: June 30, 1961

[illegible]

I have [illegible] interesting [illegible] family history, [illegible] on my mother's side. I have virtually no information on my father's side except for [illegible] I obtained from talking with my father's family. Several bits and pieces of information are told without dates, because dates are [illegible] unknown.

My father's family on her father's side has been able to trace their lineage back to the Mayflower. As a young boy, Thomas [illegible] Jr., came over on the Mayflower with his family. His mother died on the boy over and his father died during the first winter in America. After his father's death, he was taken in and raised by the [illegible] family. Because of it's complexity, I have [illegible] lineage [illegible] for this side of the family. The lineage has been traced back thirteen generations from [illegible], William [illegible] Jr. to Thomas [illegible] Jr. who came to America on the Mayflower.

My father's family on her father's side came over to the American Continent from [illegible], Germany during the American Revolution. Two brothers ventured to America while on their honeymoons. Because ships didn't return back to Germany during the Revolution, they remained and joined the American side. One brother died and the other brother came out of the Revolution as a General.

[illegible]

1. [illegible], [illegible].
2. [illegible], [illegible].
3. [illegible], [illegible].
4. [illegible], [illegible].
5. [illegible] of the [illegible].

<u>Lineal</u>

1. William Ralph [illegible] Jr. born on Dec. 10, 1971 at Beloit, Rock, Wisc.; son of William Ralph [illegible] Sr. and his wife, Diane Lynn [illegible]LY.

2. William Ralph [illegible] Sr. born on Dec. 9, 1948 at Beloit, Rock, Wisc.; son of Ralph Carlton [illegible] and his wife, Eva Margaret [illegible]CH. Married on Mar. 2, 1970 at Honolulu, Hawaii, U.S.A. to Diane Lynn [illegible] born on Feb. 20, 1950 at Chicago, Cook, Ill.

3. Eva Margaret [illegible] born on Apr. 14, 1926 at Beloit, Rock, Wisc.; daughter of [illegible] Bolton [illegible] and his wife, Agnes [illegible]. Married on Nov. 12, 1947 at Beloit, Rock, Wisc., to Ralph Carlton [illegible] born on Dec. 4, 1926.

4. Ralph Bolton [illegible] born on Apr. 13, 1890 at Rockton, Winn., Ill., died on Jan. 27, 1955 at Beloit, Rock, Wisc.; son of Samuel B. [illegible] and his wife, Eva [illegible]. Married on Oct. 25, 1917 at Rockford, Winn., Ill. to [illegible] born on June 21, 1892 at Beloit, Rock, Wisc., died on June 30, 1961 at Beloit, Rock, Wisc.

5. Eva [illegible] born on Dec. 24, 1855 at Rockford, Winn., Ill., died on Oct. 7, 1891 at Rockton, Winn., Ill.; daughter of Averill MARSH and his wife, Frances [illegible]. Married on June 21, 1884 at Rockford, Winn., Ill. to Samuel B. [illegible] born on Sept. 10, 1859 and died on Jan. 16, 1939 at Beloit, Rock, Wisc.

6. Frances [illegible] born on Sept. 30, 1831 at Orford, Maine, died on May. 17, 1898 at Rockford, Winn., Ill.; daughter of Stephen ROBINSON and his wife, Sophronia CUSHMAN. Married on Nov. 11, 1854 at Rockford, Winn., Ill. to Averill MARSH.

7. Sophronia CUSHMAN born on June 20, 1804; daughter of Caleb CUSHMAN and his wife, Polly BUCH. Married on Oct. 2, 1830 to Stephen ROBINSON.

8. Caleb CUSHMAN born on Feb. 28, 1779 at Middleborough, Mass., died at Buckfield, Maine; son of Gideon [illegible] and his wife, Ruth SHAW. Married on Mar. 29, 1802 to Polly BUCH.

9. Gideon CUSHMAN born on Nov. 21, 1750 at Plympton, Mass., died on May 7, 1845 at Hebron, Maine; son of Caleb CUSHMAN and his wife, Sarah BARROWS. Married on Feb. 25, 1773 at Buckfield, Maine to Ruth SHAW.

LINEAGE CONT'D

10. Caleb CUSHMAN born on May 15, 1715; son of Benjamin CUSHMAN and his wife, Sarah EATON. Married on Nov. 13, 1742 to Sarah BRAMANS.

11. Benjamin CUSHMAN born in 1691, and died at Plymton, Mass., on Oct. 17, 1770; son of Thomas CUSHMAN and his wife, Abigal FULLER. Married on Jan. 8, 1712 to Sarah EATON.

12. Thomas CUSHMAN born on Sept. 16, 1637 at Plymouth, Mass., died on Aug. 23, 1726; son of Thomas Cushman Sr. and his wife, Mary ALLERTON. Married on Oct. 16, 1679 to Abigal FULLER born in 1653.

13. Thomas CUSHMAN Sr. born in Feb. 1608 at England, died at Plymouth, Mass. on Dec. 11, 169 . Married in 1637 at Plymouth, Mass. to Mary ALLERTON born in 1609 at Plymouth, Mass., and died in 1699 at Plymouth, Mass.

MY FAMILY HISTORY PROJECT

The LATHERS's side of the family, predominately had land, horses, and dairy cows. The [illegible] side had land and cattle, along with a menagerie of other animals. There was a time when my Grandpa [illegible] almost got a pair of buffalo during the Great Depression. The U.S. Government was giving the buffalo away from Yellowstone Park for the price of freight. The only requirement was that they have some sort of cyclone-type enclosure. But because he couldn't afford freight and new fencing, he was unable to obtain a pair of buffalo.

Each side of the family had their own threshing machine and steam engine that ran them because of the vast amount of land they owned. Both the LATHERS and [illegible] were upper-middleclass families who lived in mansion-type houses, with hired help, that lived in tenant houses.

MY GREAT-GREAT-GRANDPA LATHERS

My Great-Grandpa LATHERS was a farmer and his wife was a secretary who worked in a grain mill, and later came over to America from England. They both became acquainted because they were neighboring farmers. Great-Grandpa LATHERS owned the first automobile in Beloit, Rock, Wisc. He moved to Florida where he had a plantation and orange grove which he called "Wisconsin Villa". The driveway was lined with royal palms, and he had two whole families of colored help that had houses in the grove.

Great-Grandpa LATHERS met the notorious Frank James when Frank and his brother Jessie were running from the law. It seems that Frank and Jessie split-up and a man showed up at my great-grandpa's farm and asked to stay for breakfast. It seemed odd to all the other help that this man wore a lot of make-up and pretended to wash his face. It wasn't until the next week when they read the paper, that they found out who their early morning mystery guest was.

[illegible]

My Great-Grandma, Samuel [illegible], had a real estate agency and car dealership in Beloit, Beck, Misc. He [illegible] Graham [illegible] at one time. Years ago, my Great-Grandma [illegible] family [illegible] the cow pasture that [illegible] Gilford High School are now built on.

[illegible]

My Grandma, [illegible], was a [illegible] who enjoyed helping everyone. He was one of four children born to a Congregationalist farm family. He later [illegible] to the Catholic religion. His mother died when he had 1[illegible] years old, and he was raised by his older sister, Anna [illegible].

[illegible]

My Grandma, Agnes [illegible], was one of seven children born to a Catholic farm family. She used to tell my mother how she remembered when the Indians came down Turtle Creek because it was the only navigable route available. Once she found cannon balls in the cow pasture after they chased Chief Blackhawk [illegible].

[illegible]

My Grandparents [illegible] were farmers [illegible] at a [illegible] sponsored by my Great-Grandma [illegible] and her girlfriends. After they were married, they bought their own farm and spent the rest of their life there. They both believed in strict discipline of their three children, Byron, Eva, and Esther. However, the children were spoiled unmercifully by their grandparents.

Religion was very important to [illegible] and my Grandma [illegible] tolerant of her. He would drive her to church and then [illegible] waited in the car for her to return, reading The Milwaukee Journal. He would give a couple of hundred dollars to the church when they held their annual drives.

[illegible] would never go to the bank in his farm clothes. As a result, when the banks closed their doors during the Great Depression, he had $22 in his wallet along with $1000 worth of

worthless checks. During [illegible] the family lived off the money that the children had saved in their [illegible].

Grandpa [illegible] went to business college and for this period made all the business decisions for the family. [illegible] held many important positions in the community. He was School Clerk, Chairman of the township for 27 years, a county board member for 27 years and chairman for 4 years, [illegible] board of Agriculture, he organized and was President of the Rock County [illegible], State and County Board Association, Rock County Highway Commission, State School Board Association, Wisconsin State Highway Commission, Deputy Sheriff, and a Notary Public.

He taught to have the bridge on County [illegible] over Turtle Creek built and it was later designated to him. The [illegible] name is on the bridge on Milwaukee Road over Turtle Creek as you come on to White Avenue in Beloit, Rock, Misc. My Great-Uncle Bill's [illegible] was the first car to cross over the bridge.

The [illegible] family name is now on the [illegible] of Antiochian. Most of my grandpa's male cousins were killed during a flu epidemic. The only [illegible] names left are my Great-Aunt [illegible] who was childless, and my Uncle [illegible] who lives in Beloit, Rock, Misc. along with his wife, [illegible], and their two [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] and [illegible].

[illegible]

My mother, Eva [illegible], was born on Apr. 14, 1[illegible] in Beloit, Rock, Misc. She was the second of three children. They had [illegible] when she was a child and enjoyed playing [illegible] with her father. They especially enjoyed putting lightning [illegible] on the arches of the [illegible] so they could play at night. She remembers the family [illegible] their [illegible] the depression and waiting for [illegible] to come [illegible] the [illegible] with the farm chorus. [illegible] said, "The best birds [illegible] got a dollar a day and dinner." [illegible] the depression, [illegible] got groceries on their [illegible] family [illegible] all their reliable neighbors.

My mother would go to town in [illegible] girlfriends. She had a nickel to spend and [illegible] violence in the city of Beloit, Rock, Wisc. [illegible] driver's license at the age of 17, she drove a new [illegible] car from Milwaukee. The new cars had [illegible] on a ferry. Remember that her grandfather owned the [illegible] Graham Agency in Beloit, Rock, Wisc.

Every Sunday afternoon her father's side of the family would get together for the [illegible]. The entire family would get together for holidays, small birthdays, elections, family reunions, [illegible], baptisms, and funerals; especially years ago when the funerals were held in the family home.

My mother was introduced to my father [illegible] her [illegible]. My mother recalls that her father had [illegible] out to be her husband long before she ever suspected.

[illegible]

My Grandpa, Harley Reginald [illegible], was born on Feb. 17, 1890 at Brothead, Green, Wisc. He was the [illegible] of two [illegible] born to a [illegible] farm family. His mother died in his early childhood, and he was raised by an elder sister. [illegible] was a cattle dealer and his family ran the stock [illegible] auction in Orfordville, Rock, Wisc.

[illegible]

My Grandpa, Grace [illegible], was born on Mar. 4, 1[illegible] at Minneapolis, Minn. [illegible] the only surviving child of a [illegible] farm family. A brother died as a child. Grandpa was a well-educated [illegible] "[illegible]" [illegible] to [illegible] school [illegible]. She taught in [illegible] schools. Farm [illegible] only went to school in the winter [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Grandpa [illegible] had school records that [illegible] [illegible] contracts. In 1887, teachers got [illegible] for teaching four months. In 18[illegible], teachers got [illegible] for teaching four months.

[illegible]

My [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], Green, Wisc. after their marriage. They later moved to a [illegible] on Plymouth Church Road near [illegible], Rock, Wisc. [illegible] [illegible] the remainder of their life. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] children, [illegible], Clayton, Ruth, Dorothy, Lloyd, and [illegible], [illegible] number of [illegible] is my father.

There were five farms in the family [illegible] [illegible] 200-300 head of cattle. Because [illegible] was a cattle dealer, he was able to pick up cattle from [illegible] farmers during the [illegible]. Threshering were a [illegible] affair [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] were a [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] were [illegible] barrels of beer and the women [illegible] the [illegible]. After the [illegible] [illegible] and before it was filled with [illegible] and [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] dance was always held.

[illegible]

My father, [illegible], was born on Dec. [illegible], 1[illegible]. He enjoyed playing Checker, [illegible], and a [illegible] called "[illegible]". A favorite [illegible] was to [illegible] a [illegible] of corn, tie a string to it, let [illegible], and then you were able to lead the chicken around by the [illegible]. [illegible] quite young during the Depression, [illegible] driving cattle home from Hanover, Rock, Wisc. a distance of four miles. His father had bought the cattle for a [illegible]. Eggs were a nickel a dozen, you paid 50¢ for a stalk of bananas (approximately 50-60 lbs.), and people would [illegible] to [illegible] for [illegible] in return.

While most late families [illegible] obtain electricity until the early 1940's, my father's family had electricity the year he was born. They had their own "Delco Plant", a generating [illegible] which was run by batteries.

Breakfast came early, very early. He was up at [illegible] and had breakfast too to [illegible] before [illegible]. In 193[illegible] they had tractors on the farm. Cattle cost $1[illegible]-$13 in 1923, [illegible] in the late 1930's, and $100 in the early 1940's.

When my father was 15, his mad was unable to [illegible] a car. Because of [illegible], cars were simply unavailable. My Grandpa [illegible], who [illegible] the "right connections", was able to get one of two new cars from Dr. and [illegible] for my father. A Dr. [illegible] from Belcit, Rock, Wisc. bought the other car.

Before anti-freeze was introduced in the 19[illegible]'s, nobody's car would start when the cold weather came. [illegible] staying [illegible] or else you ventured out on foot or waited for warmer weather.

[illegible]

My parents were married in 1947. They recall that you could buy a 1947 Fleetline 4-Dr. Chevy for $1500, or you could splurge and buy an extravagant [illegible]illac for $3300. They paid $[illegible] per head for cattle in the late 1940's and in the early 1950's they paid $300 per head.

They started out on a rented farm the spring after their marriage, moved to Dad's brother Clayton's farm in the fall, and into Dad's brother Chet's farm the following spring. They then lived with Dad's parents for awhile, and when I [illegible] year old we moved to our present farm.

A section of the farm house was built before Wisconsin became a state. In the 1830's before a farm could be homesteaded, you had to build a house first. My parents bought the 160-acre farm for $150 an acre, a grand total of $24,000. Today, the farm is worth over $1000 an acre.

My parents had dairy cattle, pigs, and chickens. My Dad underwent brain surgery in 1957, and afterwards the animals were sold because my Dad is no longer able to farm. My parents have both had two heart attacks. My father no longer works because of his health, and my mother is an English teacher at Beloit Memorial High School in Beloit, Rock, Wisc. She started to college when she was almost forty years old, and now has a Master's degree plus 12 credits. My parents still live on the farm, however, the farm house is rented and my parents live in a new house that they built right on a hill overlooking the farm.

II. [illegible]

I, [illegible], the first child, the only son, born to my parents on Dec. 2, 1942 in Beloit, Rock, Wisc. I have two sisters, Barbara Lynn, an elementary teacher in Winter School in Beloit, Rock, Wisc., [illegible], and Catherine Sue, a student at Whitewater University.

As a youngster, and until this day, I enjoy hunting and fishing. One of my favorite pastimes is [illegible] in the woods and enjoy the flora and fauna.

When I was in the seventh grade, I met a new student who transferred from Chicago, Cook, Ill. Unknowingly to me, she was to become my wife. I attended Clinton Community High in Clinton, Rock, Wisc. I lettered in wrestling during my freshman, sophomore,

and Junior year. [illegible] in the school's history to [illegible] the [illegible]. In Feb., 1967 I [illegible] in the [illegible], [illegible] in [illegible], [illegible], Ill. [illegible], 1967 I [illegible] high school.

[illegible] freedom [illegible] to be [illegible], not that I don't want it to be. I [illegible] in [illegible], 1940 to [illegible]. [illegible] born on [illegible], 1940 in [illegible], [illegible], Ill., [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] the second of five children born to the Catholic family. [illegible] 12 years old, her family [illegible] to a farm west of Clinton, [illegible], Misc. which they [illegible] purchased [illegible] the [illegible] old.

On Feb. 17, 1969 I was [illegible] into the U.S. Army. The Army is one part of my life that I would just [illegible]. Nevertheless, it is a vital part of my life. I served six months in the [illegible] training and then I was [illegible] overseas to Vietnam. There I spent one year of living hell. While serving in the Army as an armored [illegible] carrier driver (Mechanized Infantry), I was awarded three [illegible] and [illegible] down two, two bronze stars, two Army Commendation [illegible], and within the first hour in the field I [illegible] the [illegible] Infantryman's [illegible]. I served with two divisions, the [illegible] 1st Infantry, and [illegible] the division's withdrawal from Vietnam, I was transferred to the Americal Division.

On Mar. 7, 1970 half my [illegible] tour of [illegible] in Vietnam, I met my fiancée and my parents in [illegible], Hawaii, U.S.A. where I spent my [illegible]. They [illegible] at [illegible] I were married in the chapel at Fort Detrusey. [illegible] I returned to finish my tour.

In August, 1970 I returned [illegible] and spent the remainder of my service at Ft. [illegible], Texas. On Feb. 11, 1971 I received my discharge from the U.S. Army. That part of my life was over and done with, but [illegible] will live on forever.

I returned to work at the Chrysler Assembly Plant and in April, 1971 we moved to a rented farmhouse west of Clinton, Rock, Wisconsin. It was about this time that my wife found out that she was expecting our first child. In Sept., 1971 two months before our baby was born, we moved to another farmhouse about a mile west. It was right around the corner from my in-law's farm. We felt this would be an ideal place to raise our family.

Our son, William Ralph [illegible] Jr., was born on Dec. 10, 1971 at Beloit, Rock, Wisc. the day after my 23rd birthday. Billy is an extremely healthy child and seemed to grow-up before our eyes. It was about this time that we started longing for a home of our own. In Oct., 1973 our new house was under construction. On Feb. 16, 1974 we moved into our new home. It felt so good to finally have a home you could call your own!

The years went by and we were kept busy with our new home. Before long my wife was expecting our second child. Our daughter, Corinna Lynn [illegible], was born on Oct. 21, 1975 at Beloit, Rock, Wisc.

That about brings us up to the present. My family has grown considerably over the years. It now includes my wife, Diane, my son, Billy Jr., my daughter, Cori Lynn, a Golden Lab, Woodie, a Money Finch, Pokey, and our latest addition, a Walker Coonhound whom we call Blazer. Billy is almost 4½ years old, Cori Lynn is 6 months old, and my wife and I are busy, happy, and tired, but satisfied. We both look ahead to our many years left and know they will be as satisfying to us as the fifteen years we have had together so far.

ASHTON, VICTORIA GRACE ANDERSON, 1945-

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✓ Interviews with other family members ___ Family Bibles ✓ Family Genealogies
___ Land Records ___ The U.S. Census
✓ Vital Records
✓ Photographs ✓ Maps ✓ Other

I. FAMILY DATA

A. Grandfather (your father's side)

Name Axel Andersen Current Residence

Date of birth June 13, 1887 Place of birth Sweden

Date of death Feb 11, 1971 Place of burial Scandinavian Cem. Rockford, Ill.

Education (number of years);
grade school ___ high school 2 (Sweden) vocational 2 college ___

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Farmer	Dates 1904-1905 / farm	1st Rockford, Ill.	Dates 1904-1919
2nd Construction Carpenter (Furniture Factory)	Dates 1906-1913	2nd Deerbrook, Wis	Dates 1919-1925
3rd Machinist	Dates 1916-1919	3rd Rockford, Ill	Dates 1925-1971
4th Milk Driver	Dates 1926-1949	4th	Dates

Religion Lutheran

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Vestgota Club

Place of Marriage to your grandmother Rockford, Ill date July 4, 1902

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (A-1)

B. Grandmother (your father's side)

Name Anna Victoria Peterson Current Residence

Date of birth Nov 4, 1887 Place of birth Sweden

Date of death May 17, 1945 Place of burial Rockford, Ill Scandinavian Cemetery

Education (number of years):
grade school ___ high school 2 Sweden vocational ___
college ___

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Nelson Knitting Co. Rkfd, Ill	Dates 1906-1909	1st Rockford, Ill	Dates 1906-1919
2nd Homemaker	Dates 1909-1945	2nd Deerbrook, Wis	Dates 1919-1925
3rd	Dates	3rd Rockford, Ill	Dates 1925-1945
4th	Dates	4th	Dates

Religion Lutheran

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc.

Place of marriage to your grandfather Rockford, Ill date July 5, 1902

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (A-2).

A-2 Stepgrandfather (your father's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years)
grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____
college_____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc._____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandmother_____ date_____

B-2 Stepgrandmother (your father's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years):
grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____
college_____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc._____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandfather_____ Date_____

C. Grandfather (your mother's side)

Name Willis Albert Ripley Current Residence

Date of birth July 30, 1887 Place of birth Milledgeville, Ill

Date of death Oct. 2, 1918 Place of burial Polo, Ill. Fairmount Cemetery

Education (number of years):

grade school ____ high school 12 vocational 1 college 1 or 2 ?

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Clerk Dates 1905 1st Beloit, Wis Dates 1906

2nd Undertaker clerk Dates 1909-1915 2nd Chicago, Ill. Dates 1908 1909

3rd ____ Dates ____ 3rd Streator, Ill Dates 1910 1918

4th ____ Dates ____ 4th Bartlesville Okla Dates [illegible]

Religion Methodist

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc.

Place of marriage to your grandmother Milledgeville, Ill. date Oct. 5, 1908

NOTE: If your mother was raised by a stepfather or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (C-1)

D. Grandmother (your mother's side)

Name Grace May Short Current Residence Rock Falls, Ill

Date of birth Feb. 22, 1888 Place of birth Sterling, Ill

Date of death ____ Place of burial ____

Education (number of years)

grade school ____ high school 12 vocational ____ college ____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Homemaker Dates 1908-1918 1st Chicago, Ill Dates [illegible] 1907

2nd Laundry Dates 1919-1921 2nd Streator, Ill. Dates 1910 1918

3rd Homemaker Dates 1921-1942 3rd Bartlesville Oklahoma Dates [illegible] 1942

4th National Lock + Hardware Dates 1942-1956 4th Milledgeville, Ill. Dates [illegible] 1921

Religion United Brethren

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc.

Place of marriage to your grandfather Milledgeville, Ill Date Oct 5, 1908

NOTE: If your mother was raised by a stepmother or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (D-2)

C-2 Stepgrandfather (your mother's side)

Name Leonard Morley Current Residence _____

Date of birth Feb 3, 1898 Place of birth Baraboo, Wis

Date of death April 14, 1957 Place of burial Sterling, Ill.

Education (number of years)

grade school _____ high school 7 vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st [illegible] Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandmother Milledgeville, Ill. Date Sept. 23,

D-2 Stepgrandmother (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)

grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ Date _____

CHILDREN of A & B (or A-2 or B-2) - your father's name should appear below

1. Name Evert Axel Anderson
Place of birth Rockford, Ill date April 9, 1910
Number of years of schooling 5 Occupation Furniture finishing
Residence Lewis Park, Ill Marital Status M
Number of children 7 Death

2. Name Gustaft Clarence
Place of birth Rockford, Ill date Nov 20, 1911
Number of years of schooling 8 Occupation Carpenter: Construction Contractor
Residence Marital Status
Number of children 3 Death June 1956

3. Name Sven
Place of birth Rockford, Ill date 1915
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children Death 1916

4. Name Eric Alfred
Place of birth Rockford, Ill date May 17, 1920
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation machinist
Residence Rockford, Ill Marital Status M
Number of children 0 death

5. Name Rosella Anna
Place of birth Wisconsin date May 1, 1924
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Student
Residence Rockford, Ill Marital Status D
Number of children 3 Death

6. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

7. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

8. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

9. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

10. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

CHILDREN of C and D (or C-2, D-2)-your mother's name should appear below

1. Name Geraldine Virginia Ripley
Place of birth Streator, Ill Oklahoma date June 29, 1909
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation bookkeeper - secretary
Residence Corning, California Marital Status M
Number of children 1 death

2. Name Velma Mae Ripley
Place of birth Milledgeville, Ill date June 20, 1910
Number of years of schooling 11 Occupation Furniture Finishing
Residence Loves Park, Ill Marital Status M
Number of children 6 death

3. Name Robert Leon Ripley
Place of birth Streator, Ill. date Jan 26, 1912
Number of years of schooling 10 Occupation truck driver
Residence Rock Falls, Ill Marital Status D
Number of children 3 death

4. Name Margaret Alice Ripley
Place of birth Milledgeville, Ill date June 19, 1915
Number of years of schooling 11 Occupation grandmother - Dixon State Hos.
Residence Rock Falls, Ill Marital Status D
Number of children 6 death

5. Name Donald Eugene Ripley
Place of birth Milledgeville, Ill date Feb 23, 1920
Number of years of schooling 10 Occupation Master Sgt. - Army
Residence Sterling, Ill Marital Status M
Number of children 5 death

6. Name Lorna May Morley
Place of birth Sterling, Ill date March 2, 1922
Number of years of schooling 10 Occupation Cook
Residence Rockford, Ill Marital Status W
Number of children 3 death

7. Name Bernice Lilire Morley
Place of birth Sterling, Ill date March 16, 1923
Number of years of schooling 11 Occupation general office
Residence Sterling, Ill Marital Status M
Number of children 2 death

8. Name Berthel Lorraine Morley
Place of birth Sterling, Ill date Nov 26, 1925
Number of years of schooling 10 Occupation factory worker
Residence Sterling, Ill Marital Status M
Number of children 4 death

9. Name May Olive Morley
Place of birth Sterling, Ill date Feb 21, 1927
Number of years of schooling 11 Occupation Foreman National Lock
Residence Sterling, Ill Marital Status M
Number of children 5 death

10. Name Lawrence Dale Morley
Place of birth Sterling, Ill date March 20, 1929
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation truck driver
Residence Sterling, Ill Marital Status M
Number of children 2 death

11. Name Dorothy Ann Morley b March 30, 1932 Sterling, Ill d March 24, 1938 Streator, Ill

E. Your Father

Name Evert Axel Anderson. Current Residence Loves Park, Ill

Date of birth April 9, 1910 Place of birth Rockford, Ill

Date of Death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school 5 high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

			PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Skip lumber	Dates 1924		1st Rockford, Ill	Dates 1927-1954
2nd Furniture Finishing	Dates 1925 1942		2nd Loves Park, Ill	Dates: 1954-1972
3rd Machinist	Dates 1942-1946		3rd _____	Dates _____
4th Furniture Finishing	Dates 1946-1972		4th _____	Dates _____

Religion Lutheran

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your mother Rockford, Ill date July 26, 1943

NOTE: If you were raised by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (E-2)

F. Your Mother

Name Wilma Mae Ripley Current Residence Loves Park, Ill

Date of birth June 20, 1916 Place of birth Milledgeville, Ill

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school 10 vocational 1 college _____

Occupation(s)

			PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Waitress	Dates 1927-1929		1st _____	Dates _____
2nd made bus machine shop	Dates 1932		2nd _____	Dates _____
3rd Seamstress	Dates 1937		3rd _____	Dates _____
4th Furniture finishing	Dates 1950-1975		4th _____	Dates _____

Religion Seven-Day Adventist

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your father Rockford, Ill. date July 26, 1943

NOTE: If you were raised by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (F-2).

E-2 Stepfather

Name _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college ___

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates ____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates ____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates ____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates ____

Religion _____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your mother _____ Date _____

F-2 Stepmother

Name _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college ___

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates ____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates ____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates ____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates ____

Religion _____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your father _____ date _____

CHILDREN OF E AND F (or E-2,F-2) -YOUR NAME SHOULD APPEAR BELOW

1. Name Victoria Grace Anderson
Place of birth Rockford, Ill Date of birth Oct 12, 1945
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Homemaker student
Residence Lakes Park, Ill. Marital Status M
Number of children 2 death
1st marriage 2 children

2. Name Virginia Anderson
Place of birth Rockford, Ill Date of birth May 23, 1921
Number of years of schooling 2 Occupation Nurses aide
Residence Rockford, Ill Marital Status M
Number of children 8 death

. Name Barbara Ann Anderson
Place of birth Rockford, Ill Date of birth Feb 22, 1929
. Number of years of schooling 9 Occupation Nurses aide
Residence Livermore, Calif Marital Status M
Number of children 4 death

. Name James Earl Anderson
Place of birth Rockford, Ill. Date of birth Dec 25, 1931
Number of years of schooling 8 Occupation baker
Residence Rockford, Ill Marital Status M
Number of children 3 death

. Name Lorraine Anderson
Place of birth Rockford, Ill Date of birth July 9, 193
Number of years of schooling 8 Occupation Homemaker
Residence Clinton, Iowa Marital Status M
Number of children 5 death

. Name Ronald Charles Anderson
Place of birth Rockford, Ill Date of birth Feb 1 1948
Number of years of schooling 10 Occupation truck driver
Residence Rockford, Ill Marital Status M
Number of children 4 death

. Name Harvey Anderson
Place of birth Rockford, Ill. Date of birth Oct. 19, 1942
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation [illegible]
Residence Rockford, Ill Marital Status M
Number of children 1 death
1st marriage 5 children

. Name Janice June Clapper
Place of birth Rock Falls, Ill Date of birth Dec 3, 1931
Number of years of schooling 11 Occupation business woman
Residence Rockford, Ill Marital Status M
Number of children 3 death

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Signed [illegible]

Date [illegible]

9. Name Donna Maxine Clapper
Place of birth Rock Falls, Ill. Date of birth June 3, 1934
Number of years of schooling 10 Occupation furniture factory
Residence Rockford, Ill. Marital Status M
Number of children 6

10. Name Sharon Lynn Clapper
Place of birth Rock Falls, Ill. Date of birth July 7, 1938
Number of years of schooling 15 Occupation management
Residence Rockford, Ill. Marital Status M
Number of children 3

11. Name Leslie Ross Clapper
Place of birth Rock Falls, Ill. Date of birth June 3, 1941
Number of years of schooling 9 Occupation T.V. Repair
Residence Kankalee, Ill. Marital Status M
Number of children 3

12. Stanley Gene Clapper B. March 26, 1936-D. Jan. 11, 1937

- Evert Axel ANDERSON
  B April 9, 1910
  M July 26, 1943
  D.
  - Axel ANDERSON
    B June 13, 1887
    M. July 10, 1909
    D. Feb 11, 1971
    - A.P. ANDERSSON
      B
      M
      D
    - Carolina HANSON
      B.
      D.
  - Anna Victoria PETERSON
    B Nov. 4, 1887
    D May 17, 1945
    - Alf PETTERSSON
      B. May 24, 1864
      M.
      D.
    - Johanna ERICKSON
      B Oct 26, 1860
      D
- Victoria Grace ANDERSON
  B Oct 12, 1946
  M. May 9, 1964
  D.
- Wilma Mae RIPLEY
  B June 20, 1910
  M July 26, 1943
  D.
  - Willis Albert RIPLEY
    B July 30, 1887
    M Oct. 5, 1908
    D Oct. 2, 1918
    - Simeon E. RIPLEY
      B Dec 13, 1857
      M. Nov 15, 1882
      D. Oct 8, 1899
      - Addison M. RIPLEY
        - Elijah KNAPP, Jr.
          - Elijah KNAPP
            - John KNAPP
              - Samuel KNAPP
                - Caleb KNAPP
                - Nicholas KNAPP
                - Eliner KNAPP
                - Hannah SMITH
                - Henry SMITH
                - Thomas SMITH
              - Hannah BUSHNELL
                - Francis BUSHNELL
                - Hannah SEYMOUR
            - Margaret TAYLOR
              - Daniel TAYLOR
          - Phoebe WATKINS
            - Joseph WATKINS
            - Frances SPINNING
        - Rachel JOHNSON
          - John JOHNSON
          - Rebecca WITHERELL
            - John SPENCER
      - Rebecca W. KNAPP
    - Margaret E. SPENCER
      B June 9, 1864
      D Sept. 28, 1955
      - Neaman SPENCER Jr.
        - Neaman SPENCER
          - Michael SPENCER
            - Amy EDGECOMBE
        - Dianthe GENHAM
      - Julia HUNT
  - George May SHORT
    B Feb 22, 1888
    D.
    - John Wesley SHORT
      B. 1855
      M. 1877
      D.
      - David SHORT
      - Sarah CAREY
    - Julia Ann BROYLES
      B 1857
      D Nov 4, 1888
      - Thomas M. BROYLES
      - Elizabeth M. GEYGER

LIST OF SOURCES

Evert Anderson - Loves Park, Illinois
Wilma (Ripley) Anderson - Loves Park, Illinois
Eric Anderson - Rockford, Illinois
Axel Anderson - Anna Peterson - "trunk"
Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Brown - Rockford, Illinois
Oleta (Spencer) Depuy - Sterling, Illinois
Marilyn Hanson - Kenai, Alaska
Ruth (Ripley) Hunt - Pine River, Minnesota
Geraldine (Ripley) Jenkins - Corning, California
Grace (Short) Morley - Rock Falls, Illinois
Robert Ripley - Rock Falls, Illinois
Mr. & Mrs. Ernie Sandquist - Rockford, Illinois
Rosella (Anderson) Sciacca - Rockford, Illinois
Helen Spencer - Port Byron, Illinois
Margaret (Ripley) Ulrich - Rock Falls, Illinois
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PREFACE

My only thought as I began my family social history was to do it with enough thouroughness to get a good grade in Mr. Schou's American History class. I soon became obsessed and found myself doing it more for myself, my children, and the rest of my family than for a grade. American history began taking shape within my own family. The early settling of this land became more real as I realized my relatives were some of those settlers. The Great Depression took on more meaning when I listened to the experiences of my parents.

I felt a deeper sense of understanding as I listened to my family's joys, troubles, dreams, and realities. The generation gap became smaller and smaller as I journeyed through the past with them. I discovered and came to know relatives I never knew existed. I became acquainted with relatives who in the past were only a name and rediscovered relatives I had known.

I began remembering every second with my grandparents and parents as I could. The warmth of a hug, the twinkle of an eye, and the tone of a voice took on new importance. I lost myself in memories that had been pushed to some dark corner of my mind.

As I compiled all this information the immigrants kept popping out at me. Why did they come? What did they hope to gain for themselves and their families? How did they feel leaving their home and going to a strange land? Where did they get the courage? I began to appreciate their gift to us: our American heritage.

Axel ANDERSON

His parents in Sweden

A. P. ANDERSSON
Carolina HANSON

children

David (Sweden)
Olga (Sweden)
Axel (United States)
B. June I3, I887
D. Feb. II, I97I

Anna Victoria PETERSON

Her parents in Sweden
(city-Vingaker state-Södermanland)

Alf PETTERSSON
B. May 24, I864
Johanna ERICKSON
B. Oct. 26, I860

children

Carl (United States)
B.
Anna Victoria (United States)
B. Nov. 4, I887
D. May I7, I945
Erik (Sweden)
B. July 22, I890
Hjalmar (Sweden)
B. June 6, I893
Oskar (Sweden)
B. Sept. , I895
Elsa (Sweden)
B. Dec. 25, I896

Axel ANDERSON
B. June I3, I887
Goteborg, Sweden
D. Feb. II, I97I
Rockford, Winn., Ill.
M. July I0, I909
Rockford, Winn., Ill.
Anna Victoria PETERSON
B. Nov. 4, I887
Sweden
D. May I7, I945
Rockford, Winn., Ill.

children
Evert Axel
B. April 9, I9I0
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Axel ANDERSON, son of A. P. ANDERSSON and Carolina HANSON, was born in Goteborg, Sweden June I3, I887. Axel came to Rockford, Winnebago, Illinois in I904 at the age of I7 yrs. His uncle, John Anderson, had previously immigrated to the United States and was living in Rockford in I904. John Anderson assembled pianos at Hadorf Piano Co., Railroad Ave., Rockford, Ill. Axel didn't like his middle name and dropped it when he came to the U.S.; one S in his last name was also dropped (originally Andersson). Military training was required in Swedish schools. Axel left Sweden because of the draft.

He couldn't speak English when he came to this country and later talked of how mean Americans were to foreigners. Saying he felt like a slave (at first) and was called a greenhorn. He also talked of the animosity between Swedes and Italians.

Axel got his first job in Rockford on a farm owned by John Stolberg on East State St. After he worked there for about a year he got a job running saws at Chair Factory A where he lost his little finger. He then went into construction and carpenter work.

Axel ANDERSON married Anna Victoria PETERSON on July I0, I909 in Rockford, Winn., Ill. They were both lutherans and became married at Zion Lutheran Church. Axel was 22 yrs. old and Anna was 2I yrs. old. Axel and Anna met on an excursion steamboat called the "City of Rockford" that made pleasure trips up and down the Rock River. The boat had dancing on board and would stop at an Amusement Park and an open air dance hall.

Anna Victoria PETERSON, daughter of Alf PETERSON and Johanna ERICKSON, was born Nov. 4, I887 in Sweden (possibly Vingaker, Sodermanland). Anna came to Rockford, Winn., Ill. in I906 at the

age of I9yrs. Her last name was changed from PETERSON to JEFFERSON. Her brother, Carl Peterson, had previously immigrated to the U.S. and she moved in with him. She got a job knitting at Nelson Knitting Co. and worked there until her marriage in I909.

Axel and Anna had five children: Ewert Axel born in Rockford April 9, I9I0, Gustaff Clarence born in Rockford Nov. 20, I9II - died in Rockford June, I956 of heart trouble at the age of 45 yrs., Swen born in Rockford I9I5 - died in Rockford I9I6 of diphtheria at the age of 2 yrs., Eric Alfred born in Rockford May I7, I920, Rosella Anna born in Wisconsin May I, I924.

After their immigration Axel and Anna spent the rest of their lives in and around Rockford, except for six years in Wisconsin. The following were some of their addresses and the years they lived at the addresses: I9I6, 506 Sixteenth Ave./ I920,2724 I[illegible]th Ave./ I920-I926, Deerbrook, Wis. (nearest large city-Antigo)/ I926, I026 7th St./ I927, II07 7th St./ I928, I2I0 2I Ave./ I929-I932, R. I Barnum Rd./ I935-I936, Rt. 7 Rockford/ I938, Rt. I Rockton. Axel built their own home at 602 Fitch Rd. in Rockford in I942 with the help of his sons. Axel was 55 yrs. old.

Anna spent the rest of her life taking care of her family after her marriage in I909. She didn't like the U.S. in the early years of her life here and had dreams of moving back to Sweden. She died in Rockford at the age of 57 yrs. May I7, I945 of cancer and is buried at the Scandinavian Cemetery. Anna Victoria Peterson never had the opportunity to return to Sweden.

Axel was versatile and held many different kinds of jobs: farmer, laborer in construction, carpenter, machinist, night watchman and milk driver. After Anna's death Axel moved into a room in

his daughter's (Rosella) home at 2816 Huffman Blvd. and lived there for nineteen years.

Axel visited Sweden three times after Anna's death. He retired at the age of 62 and was a night watchman for a while during his retirement. He got his first car in 1922: a 1914 Ford. He was a member of the Vestgota Club and spent time there for recreation. He made weekly trips to a bakery on 7th St. for rye bread and took good care of his familie's graves at the Scandinavian Cemetery. Axel Anderson died Feb. 11, 1971 in Rockford, Winnebago, Illinois at the age of 83 yrs. He is buried at the Scandinavian Cemetery.

FOLLOWING PAGES

A-1 A history of the steamboat, "City of Rockford", where Anna and Axel did much of their courting.
Money Axel sent to his son, Evert, on one of his trips to Sweden.

A-2 Axel Anderson and Anna Peterson-marriage license.
The names of Anna and Axel's parents were unknown to any of their children or grandchildren living today until I acquired their marriage license from the Winnebago County Clerk in March, 1976. Their names are listed on the health record on the back of the marriage license.

A-3 Marriage license application.

A-4 Page from Axel's machinist union book.
A-5 " " "
Axel paid monthly dues in the union from Oct, 1917 to May, 1919. He worked at the Mechanic Machine Co. in 1916.

Axel Anderson brought a trunk with him from Sweden. Axel and Anna stored many of their valuables in the trunk: clothes, baby shoes, baby teeth, newspaper clippings, letters, pictures, negatives. I collected a lot of information about their lives from these items and I also got a peak at some of their thoughts and emotions.

A-6 Anewspaper clipping from the Wisconsin Farmer, Jan. 1?, 1920. (trunk) Axel and Anna lost their baby son, Swen, in 1916 at the age of 2 yrs. I feel this clipping was saved because it mirrored their feelings about that loss.

A-7 Newspaper clippings - poems (trunk)

I don't know if these clippings were written by Axel Anderson or sent in by him. Mr.&Mrs. Ernest Brown of Rockford gave me a general verbal translation of the poems. The poems are in the process of being completely translated by Mr.&Mrs. Ernie Sandquist of Rockford. Both ErnestBrown and Ernie Sandquist are Swedish immigrants.

The poem titled "Arma Barn" is about a Swedish girl coming to the U.S. thinking she would never forget Sweden. Later finding she has forgotten much is trying to write a letter to her mother, but her mother is dead.

The poem titled "Kriget" voices opposition to using guns in war instead of talking about differences.

I found a packet of 26 letters in the trunk from Anna's family in Sweden dated from 1916 to 1938. All the letters were from Vingaker, Sodermanland, Sweden. Vingaker is an old city about 72 miles southwest of Stockholm. Ernest Brown gave me a general verbal translation of 5 of the letters. The letters tell Anna of the activities of the family in Sweden. These letters are in the process of being completely translated by Mr.&Mrs. Ernie Sandquist.

A-8 Letter from Anna's sister Elsa (1916) giving names, ages, and birthdates of Anna's mother (no name), father (no name), sisters, and brothers still in Sweden. Elsa also writes of not being able to believe Evert (my father) is in school all ready.

A-9 Letter from Anna's mother. She complains of having arthritis and wants Anna to write more than once a year saying that's too long to wait.

A-10 Letter from Anna's sister Elsa. (1937)
A-11 " " "

A-12 Letter from Anna's brother Oskar. (1920)

A-13 Letter from Alf Pettersson: Anna's father. 1921
A-14 " " "
A-14 Back of A-14. Letter from Alfrid Pettersson (relationship uncertain)

A-15 Page from Axel's passport.
A-16 " "
A-17 " " Receipt of payment for trip to Sweden.

A-18 Postcard sent from Axel to his son, Evert, on one of his trips to Sweden. Axel tells Evert the picture on the front is the place he started out 48 years ago. It is from Lerum, Sweden. Axel listed his brother's name and address on his passport:

David Andersson
Taskogen fack 20
Lerum, Sweden

David is dead now, but he has a daughter, Britt, still living in Sweden. Address unknown.

A-I9 Newspaper clippings: Anna Peterson-obituary, Axel Anderson-obituary, Swen Anderson-obituary, Card of Thanks.

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This photograph of the "City of Rockford" was taken in the early 1900s when the popular excursion boat took thousands of persons on pleasure rides on the Rock River.

Ahoy! River yields steamboat remains

By TOM WARTOWSKI

Land sakes alive, shipmate, a long-lost treasure has surfaced from the Rock River.

It's a boatload of memories called the "City of Rockford."

The City of Rockford was a 125-foot steamer that used to run pleasure rides up and down the river during the early 1900s.

It was destroyed by fire in 1924 and sank near the YMCA.

There it was to stay, a hidden reminder of an era of fun long gone by — but for work being done at the Fordam Dam which has lowered the Rock to record shallowness.

To the casual observer what has surfaced looks like a pile of junk: Rotted planks, assorted cast iron pipes and blocks, and a collection of bricks.

"That sounds like the hull where the steam room was," said Milton Mahlburg, director of the Burpee Museum of Natural History who remembers the boat.

"It used to be called the "Illinois" and took cruises up the river six or eight miles to Harlem Park," Mahlburg added.

"There was an orchestra on board and dancing. On Sundays, they held picnics at the park."

Yellowed news clippings recall the boat as "an institution on the Rock . . . slowly wending its way around the green-mantled bends and bulges of the river

". . . With paddle wheels gleaming in the fading sun and deeply-hued smoke spurting from her twin stacks, the "City of Rockford" made a vivid impression upon all who saw and remembered her."

One old-timer who remembers the City of Rockford well is Joseph Schmidt, who spent "most of my life on the Rock River."

"I remember a lot of good times," the 82-year-old retired commercial fisherman said. "It was a good way to spend time with a young lady. They had an orchestra on board and so you could dance as the boat paddled along.

"On a hot summer night you couldn't find a better way to spend your time."

Schmidt remembers the fire, too.

"It was tied up there by Ruttledge (just south of Whitman Street bridge) for a couple years. It hadn't been used except by kids and drunks. Then one night (March 3, 1924) it caught fire — burned right down to the hull. They never found out what caused the fire.

"They dragged it out by the YMCA and sunk it. The government came along later and made them pull the junk out but I guess they didn't get all of it."

Schmidt says the river is lower than he's ever seen it before. And, according to a Commonwealth Edison spokesman, it's going to stay that way for another 90 days.

"It's going to take that long to finish the construction work," said Donald Lindvall. After which, the gates will be closed and operated by a sensing control.

This photograph of the "City of Rockford" was taken in the early 1900s when the popular excursion boat took thousands of persons on pleasure rides on the Rock River.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

STATE OF ILLINOIS — COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

To any person legally authorized to solemnize Marriage

Marriage may be celebrated

Between the Axel Anderson of Cockford in the County of Winnebago and State of Illinois of the age of Twenty two years and Miss Anna Petersen of Cockford in the County of Winnebago and State of Illinois of the age of Twenty one years

Witness Marcus F. Norton County Clerk and the seal of said County at last office in Rockford in said County this 7th day of July [illegible]

Marcus F. Norton [illegible]

State of Illinois
WINNEBAGO COUNTY

J. H. P. Spectrum a Minister of the Gospel [illegible] certify that the Axel Anderson and Miss Anna Petersen united in Marriage [illegible] in the County of Winnebago and State of Illinois on the 10th day of July [illegible]

[illegible]
Pastor of [illegible]

MARRIAGE LICENSE

ADULT.

County Clerk

Law in Relation to Marriages

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

Return of a Marriage to County Clerk.

1. Full Name of GROOM Axel Anderson
2. Place of Residence Rockford
3. Occupation Laborer
4. Age next Birthday 23 Years Color W Race
5. Place of Birth Sweden
6. Father's Name A. P. Anderson
7. Mother's Maiden Name Caroline Hanson
8. Number of Groom's Marriage First
9. Full Name of BRIDE Anna Peterson
   Maiden Name, if a Widow
10. Place of Residence Rockford
11. Age next Birthday 21 years Color W Race
12. Place of Birth Sweden
13. Father's Name Ole Peterson
14. Mother's Maiden Name Johanna Erickson
15. Number of Bride's Marriage First
16. Married at Rockford in the County of Winnebago and State of Illinois, the 10 day of July 1909
17. Witnesses to Marriage John S. Hamilton
    Anna Silver

N. B.—At Nos. 6 and 15 state whether 1st, 2d, 3d, &c., Marriage of each 17 give names of subscribing witnesses to the Marriage Certificate. If no subscribing witnesses, give names of two persons who witnessed the ceremony.

Rockford Ill July 1909

We Hereby Certify that the information above given is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

A. J. Anderson (Groom)

Anna Peterson (Bride)

I Hereby Certify that the above is a correct return of a Marriage solemnized by me.

N. P. Lindstrom
Pastor of Union Lutheran Church

Dated at Rockford Ill this 12 day of July 1909.

[illegible] LICENSE

STATE OF ILLINOIS,
WINNEBAGO COUNTY,

The undersigned Axel Anderson

of Rockford in the County of Winnebago

and State of Illinois hereby applies for a Marriage Licence for the

Marriage of Minnie K of City

~~In the County of~~ and State of Illinois and

Miss Anna Peterson of Rockford in the County

of Winnebago and State of Illinois

The said applicant represents that ~~the said~~ they

~~and M~~ are both single and unmarried, and may

lawfully contract and be joined in marriage, and after being duly sworn, deposes as to the following

interrogatories:

Question. What is the age of said Axel Anderson

Answer. ~~Said~~ He is 22 years of age.

What is the age of said Miss Anna Peterson

Answer. Said M He is 21 years of age.

Question. What is the relationship, if any, between said parties

~~and said M~~

Answer. None

Question. Have either of the said parties been divorced?

Answer. No

Question. If so, when was the divorce granted, and for what cause?

Answer. Axel Anderson

WINNEBAGO COUNTY, STATE OF ILLINOIS, Axel Anderson [illegible]

deposes and says that he is acquainted with the contents of the above application for a Marriage License, subscribed by him, and that the statements contained in the said application, and the [illegible] and answers given to the questions therein, are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Axel Anderson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of July 1917

[illegible] County Clerk

[illegible]

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SPECIALIST

International Association of Machinists

TRANSFER ACCOUNT STAMP

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

Bro. Axel Andersen Card No. 483634

IS MOST EXPERIENCED AT Drill Press WORK,
and is entitled to the Rights and Privileges of Membership, as long as this book is stamped in accordance with the Constitution.

N. Holmquist President

48 E. Stedlund Fin'l Sec'y

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IDENTIFICATION

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is to her our sympathy should go out in deepest measure.

I want to print two out of the many score of letters I have received on this subject. They make sad reading, they will bring the tears to the eyes, but they are so full of the heart and soul of the writers I believe they should be passed around this family circle of ours, so that we may give sympathy to those who so richly deserve it, who have suffered so much.

First, let me print the letter of "a sorrowing mother," who asks to have her name and address withheld, because of her poignant grief. She writes me as follows:

Dear Mr. Pierce:—I am writing as a bereaved mother, though it is not sons for whom I grieve, but two dear girls—all I had. My first great sorrow came to me a few years ago when death entered our little family circle and took from us a precious daughter. It truly seemed then that my heart was crushed, for I loved her and wanted her so, but as time went on the wound in my heart healed, to some extent, and I found great comfort and consolation in the fact that I still had one daughter left and I tried not to grieve too much over the loss but to say instead, "Thy will, not mine, be done."

Last year when the dread influenza was causing sorrow and heartache in the homes all over the world, our remaining daughter, a girl in her teens, was stricken, and in a very short time she, too, was called away, leaving our home and hearts so utterly empty and desolate that no words of mine can express the grief we felt at being bereft of both our daughters. It was then that I knew as never before what real heart-crushing sorrow was. It seemed as if my very life went out with hers and it is a grief that will cast a shadow over me as long as I live, a grief that refuses to heal and that time has not softened. While I felt the loss keenly when the first daughter was taken, this last bereavement is doubly hard to bear, now that both are gone and my heart cries out in agony for my buried treasures.

And so, in attempting to answer Mr. Faulkner's questions, I feel that it is the mother who has given her last son or daughter, or the mother who had but one to give, who suffers most and whose loss is greater, rather than the mother who still has one left out of three or four. She may have had the same love for each and all, but there is a deeper sense of loss when the last one is gone and she is left to face old age without the love and companionship of even one, which she had hoped to enjoy.

I, too, want to thank Mr. Pierce for publishing that little poem from an unknown author. I am sure that it seemed to many of his readers as it did to me, that it was a cry from their own sorrowing hearts over the loss of some dear one. I think I have never read anything that appealed or applied to me as that has done, for when my last dear girl was taken from me it did, indeed, seem, as the writer said:

"And on that day,
My heart died, too,
All joy in life was lost
When I lost you.
A year, and now again
I try to smile and seem
As once I did
And some believe that I
Have ceased to care or grieve.
But I have not,
For always in the long hours of the night
When others sleep and all is still,
I clasp my hands and weep."

My friends and even my near relatives little know the depth of my grief. It is not an easy thing to do, but often and often I have hastily brushed aside the tears and, with a forced smile upon my lips I have gone to the door to meet them, and they little guessed the aching heart that was beneath it all.

It is of such stuff, in very truth, that our heroes and our heroines are made. I take off my hat and bow low before this bereaved mother who knows what it is to lose both her children and yet can act her part in the world, can hold up her head and smile, though her heart is breaking. All honor and credit to her.

Next, let me print the letter of another mother, one who gave her only son—not a soldier, nor a grown man, but a little man-child, tender in years, of whom the Master said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God." This woman writes:

Dear Mr. Pierce:—I have just finished reading your paper. I have just had a sorrow that has all but crushed my soul. I lost my beautiful baby boy, my three-year-old man. No matter how grief comes, or when, at what age or place, it is ever the same. God knows how much we can stand. In His infinite wisdom He sends us only what we can bear and even then we cry out in our agony, "O God, how can I bear it, how can I bear it?" No one can suffer like a mother, for her child is her own life. The mother who lost her son "over there" was spared the torture of seeing him suffer, at any rate, and who could be missed more than a baby who needs mother's attention so many times a day?

God pity us all who have given up our sons, whether they were little rosy fellows to be kissed and cuddled and tucked in bed and kissed again, or whether they were big fine men that were not kissed so often, but who caused our hearts to throb with pride as we looked at them.

If you care to print my poor verses you are welcome, but please, if you do, withhold my name.

The verses this correspondent sent me are entitled "To the Mothers Who Have Lost a Child, a Part of Their Lives." I print them in full, just as they came to me:

A thousand mothers weep today
For a child they loved so true;
With aching heart, I try to pray,
"God comfort them," for I know, too.

There's an empty high chair at my home,
And a pair of half-worn shoes,
There's an agony of grief in my life alone
At the sight of wee clothes I'll never more use.

His swing hangs lifelessly, as if it knew
He never would need it more;
His kiddie-kar sets so quietly.
God comfort my heart, so sore.

I try to be brave and understand,
O throbbing heart, cease your fears!
I know it's part of God's own plan.
O blinded eyes, dry your tears!

But the thousand mothers whose empty arms
Are aching with loneliness,
Whose lips would fain kiss their darling again,
O God! these mothers I ask you to bless.

O the thousand pillows wet with tears
At the memory of a baby's face,
God heal our hurt! Quiet our fears!
Our loved ones are safe in your wonderful grace.

But a thousand mothers as well as I,
Cry out in an agony of grief today,
O God! keep my baby, and then by and by
Let me come with him, forever to stay.

There is nothing that I wish to add, or can add, to these letters and verses. They are complete life stories, in themselves. And yet I cannot refrain from whispering to each stricken mother that He, watching over Israel, slumbers not nor sleeps. He was not sleeping when these lambs were taken from the fold. It must be right, else He would not have permitted it. We shall know some day and until that day dawns we can only hold up our heads and work and whisper to ourselves, "Thy will, not mine, be done."

James M. Pierce

MIDSOMMAR.

Drom en stund om fosterjorden.
Sveas barn, i denna kväll!
Sänd din tanke hem till Norden
Landet mellan skär och fjäll.
Där nu sommarfester firas
Och med björklöf prydligt siras
Dörren till det lilla tjäll.

Denna sed och dessa minnen
Äro de vi älska mest.
Och i kväll med glada sinnen,
Där förhoppningen är gast.
Omkring löfprydd stång sig samla
Som där hemma, unga, gamla
Till en svensk midsommarfest.

Där vid toppen flaggan prålar
Som en klar och skön klenod.
Mildt det gyllne korset strålar
Som om det vår fröjd förstod.
Sorgen sig på afstånd ställer,
Då af lycklig stolthet sväller
Pulsen i vårt friska blod.

Därför, spelman, stäm fiolen,
Spela upp till munter dans.
Tröttna ej till morgonsolen
Sänder ut sin nya glans!
Gosse, sväng din egen flicka,
Djupt i blåa ögon blicka
Under löfvens gröna krans!

P. Modin.

ARMA BARN!

Jag säg en visa en junikväll
Af "Anna Lisa" i "Fria ord".
Där hon sjöng om mamma vid spiselna häll,
Om minnen från hemmets jord.
Ack, barndomsminnen, de aldrig dö,
De för de flesta ett skimmer strö
På lifvets torniga stig!

De voro enkla, de rader små,
Som vilda blommor vid vägens rand.
Men ändå kära, ty vi förstå
Hon tänkt på hemmet och hembygdsstrand;
På far och mor och på nordens lunder,
Dit tanken ilar i stilla stunder
Och finner hvila och ro.

Jag mött en flicka, så söt och huld,
Som glömt sitt hem bort på Sveas jord,
Hon glömt sin moder för glans och guld,
Glömt svenska språket, hvartenda ord;
Glömt enkla kojan, där gladt hon lekte,
Glömt ömma händer som henne smekte,
Och hennes namn det är: Arma barn.

Du lilla vän uppå vilse stig,
Jag ber så vänligt, knyt banden åter!
Ditt modersmål kan ej skada dig.
Skrif du till mamma, hon kanske gråter
För barnet sitt, uti ålderns höst,
Som vandrar fjärran i varlden. —
Snart skall den tystna, din moders rost.

Rockford, Ill. Axel A—n.

KRIGET.

Det dundrar i öster
och luften är mättad
med rök och med damm,
som blixtrar på fästet.
Granaterna fräsa,
krevera i leden,
där hären drar fram.

Kanonerna brumma
om våldet, om makten
sitt djävulska ljud.
Och bak efter trossen
ses prästerna åka.
De sucka och bedja
om hjälp ifrån Gud!

Och trupperna tåga
i ändlösa leder
med döden till mål —.
Utsvultna som vargar
de mötas i striden,
de hälsa varandra
med bly och med stål.

Nu gamarna fråssa
av liken på fältet,
där slaktningen stod.
De ligga där spridda
med bortslitna lemmar,
och nejden den luktar
av krut och av blod.

De döda de kastas
i gravar och gropar
med packning och allt.
De råkade ropa,
de banna; de bedja — —
på fältet, i natten
det blåser så kallt!

Se'n sprides kring jorden
med kablar och trådar,
att vinsten blev god — —
man stulit en fana
från fiendehären,
och marken välsignas,
där massmordet stod.

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På far och mor och på nordens lunder,
Dit tanken ilar i stilla stunder
Och finner hvila och ro.

Jag mött en flicka, så söt och huld,
Som glömt sitt hem bort på Sveas jord.
Hon glömt sin moder för glans och guld,
Glömt svenska språket, hvartenda ord;
Glömt enkla kojan, där gladt hon lekte,
Glömt ömma händer som henne smekte,
Och hennes namn det är: Arma barn.

Du lilla vän uppå vilse stig,
Jag ber så vänligt, knyt banden åter!
Ditt modersmål kan ej skada dig.
Skrif du till mamma, hon kanske gråter
För barnet sitt, uti ålderns höst,
Som vandrar fjärran i världen. —
Snart skall den tystna, din moders röst.

Rockford, Ill. Axel A—n.

KRIGET.

Det dundrar i öster
och luften är mättad
med rök och med damm,
som blixtrar på fästet.
Granaterna fräsa,
krevera i leden,
där hären drar fram.

Kanonerna brumma
om våldet, om makten
sitt djävulska ljud.
Och bak efter trossen
ses prästerna åka.
De sucka och bedja
om hjälp ifrån Gud!

Och trupperna tåga
i ändlösa leder
med döden till mål —.
Utsvultna som vargar
de mötas i striden,
de hälsa varandra
med bly och med stål.

Nu gamarna fråssa
av liken på fältet,
där slaktningen stod.
De ligga där spridda
med bortslitna lemmar,
och nejden den luktar
av krut och av blod.

De döda de kastas
i gravar och gropar
med packning och allt.
De råkade ropa,
de banna; de bedja — —
på fältet, i natten
det blåser så kallt!

Se'n sprides kring jorden
med kablar och trådar,
att vinsten blev god — —
man stulit en fana
från fiendehären,
och marken välsignas,
där massmordet stod.

Axel A—n.

other side

1916.

Du ville så gärna veta hur gamla vi äro vi är gamla allting Far fylde 52 den 24 maj mor fyller 56 den 26 oktober. Erik fyllde 26 den 22 Juli Hjalmar fyllde 23 den 6 Juni Oskar fyller 21 nu den 10 September Elsa 20 år Juldagen Elna hon har slutat skolan nu om hon hat levat tenk att Ewert har börjat skolan han kan väl läsa det här kan pojkarna tala svenska det får du lär att skriva om. nu är det länge sen jag skrev till ei. Helsa Kalle från oss

vi har inget brev fått från
honom på så förfärligt
lenge nu har jag inget
ner att skriva om jag skall
skriva ock tala om för dig
sin hur det blir med mor
när han reser ifrån oss.
Många helsningar från oss
allesammans. Du kan väl
skriva snart så vi får höra
om du tycker det är roligt
att vara statkäring men
blir du bonkäring då ska
jag resa te dej ock bli
bonpiga, om du viste så
roligt det är att sy. det kan du
allbrigtro (helsa små pojka.

Tecknar Ersa Mafa

nu ska du förlata
meg får mitt starf
du får ete visa när
nu ska du vara snätt
å skrifva några
rader ennå nesta
yul det är
långt å venta

teeknar din mor

tenker du nånsin
på hur det var
när du var hemma

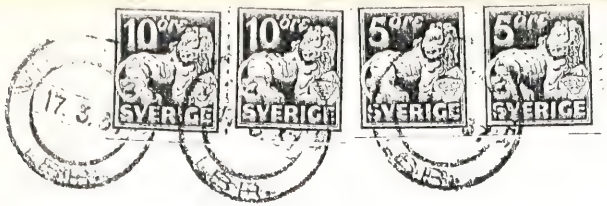
helsa kalle från
mig

Vikstad den

min elskade anna
med familg jag
tenkte för söka om
jag skulle kunna
skrifva några rader
till dig om du kan
få reda på det jag
är så stel i fingrarne
du ska si att jag än
slut jag får sitta
enne den ena dan som
den andra å ente
komma nån stans
å bara fundera å nu
ha du komme dit när
du ha blifvi farmor stor
bars dessd

va är det så lenge di
är hemma du har ~~en~~
fölle bra nå du kan
skicka oss så mycket
jul klapp det ska du
ha mycken tuser tack
för vi fick 2 daler
frå Ckarl hur har
han det nog kunde
du säga nöge hur han
har det med sina barn
som en mest för hunder
på är ni ~~i~~ inte samså
aldrig nemner nej var
andra som nej skulle
hinnas du sa du skulle
skicka kläden ka du det
inte ha vi fått nåvå här är

här är alt så dyrt å
inte å då någe mät
heller här å di ut klå-
då så ja törs inte
titte på då jag skulle
vilga skifva mycket
men det går inte du kan
komma kem så får
vi talas vid kom snart
jag kan inte tala om
utå barnna bör
det blyr så mycke
men Oskar bor här
hemma och det är
nog di har 5 barn
men han är dugter
han sköter med allan



Fru Anna Anderssen

R. 1. Rockton, Ill.

U. S. A.

Vingåker den 16 mars 1937.

Kära syster Anna o Ad å barnen. Jag skriver nu så kanske jag nån gång får brev från dej om ni är i livet jag har inbillat mej att ni bodde i de över svämmade områdena med, det var ju kunsk 150 städer å byar vorounder vatten stod det i våra tidningar å så tala dom om det i radion många människor omkom ju, om du är i livet

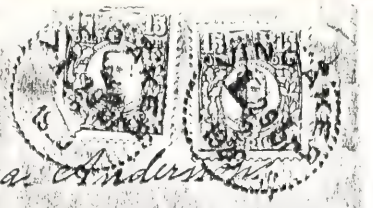
dom har det som vanligt
det har varit arbete hela
vintern. Skriv någon gång
till mig.

från Elsa.

Vore roligt att veta om
Calles Emma kom igen nån
mer gång, vore också roligt
att veta om han blev ledsen
när han fick veta att mor var
död hon sa jämt att han var snäll men han
var elak ibland med men då ba han hem-
me om förlåtelse så var det bra igen
det var när han var hemma å var
mindre.

kan du väl vara hyggelig å skri-
va till mej, Vi har så mycket
snö här nu å i dag vräker
det ned våt snö så här fattas
inte nordisk vinter nu. Min
moster har också dött nu hon
dog den 28 Januari hon sjukna
annandag Jul så hon behövde
inte heller ligga så länge hon
dog av lunginflamation men hon
hade gallsten å fler sjukdomar å
dåligt hjärta också. jag sänder
dig ett kort på mosters grav å
så är de Ernst som står bredvid
det är ett kort som jag fått
från honom han är så fåskräck-
ligt ledsen.

det är nu 6 år sen far dog
tiden går men vad det är
tomt efter far å mor om
du viste till Jul var det
så ledsamt efter b. met
så inte kunde jag tro att
det skulle bli så tomt å
svårt. ibland gråter jag så
hela ansiktet rinner men
inte får jag träffa dom än-
då. Jag har varit ute å
skotta snö kring stugan
det får jag göra nästan var
dag nu men det skal väl
någon gång bli vår. Jag kan
hälsa dig från våra syskon



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Fru Anna Andersson

2324 - 15 ave.

Rockford. Ill.

Nortamerika.

Vidåker d. 29/2 [illegible]

Bästa Anna.

Tack för brevet som jag
fick i veckan roligt
att höra att ni mår
bra å det gör vi också
som bättre är i dag
då lys det för Erik
första gången så nu
är det bara Galmar
kvar sen är vi gifta
allehop å det blir väl
med honnom också
snart far å mor
skall sluta med sitt

Vidåker
Vingåker

ställe i vår det skall
Erik arenderer av
dom. Du ville veta
vad Elsas gubbe hette
han heter Georg Askelund
Du ville att jag skulle
resa till er men jag vill
vara kvar här så länge
far å mor lever å inte
heller kan jag få i
hop så mycket pengar
heller som går ått till
resan åt oss allehop
för då är det ju en
hel förmögenhet o inte
vill jag resa sfrån Gärda
å flickorna heller å

resa före. Du ville veta hu
det var med Jonsons flicko
Lotten hon är gift me
kakelungsmakare å
Alma hon har en
pojke hop med Axel
Person i kesetter de
har hon vitt fått fem
tusen för så hon
klarar sej ju bra
på det. Ja nu h
jag inget mer at
skriv om för denn
gång många hälsn
från oss till er alla
hälsa Karl så gott fr
oss. Oskar skriv
snart så är du snäl

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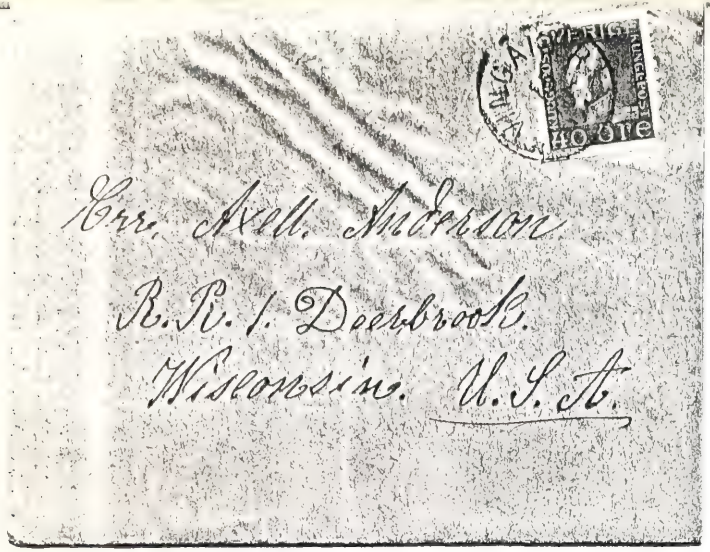


Herr. Axell. Anderson
R.R. 1. Deerbrook.
Wisconsin. U.S.A.

Vikshund den 9/10 1921.

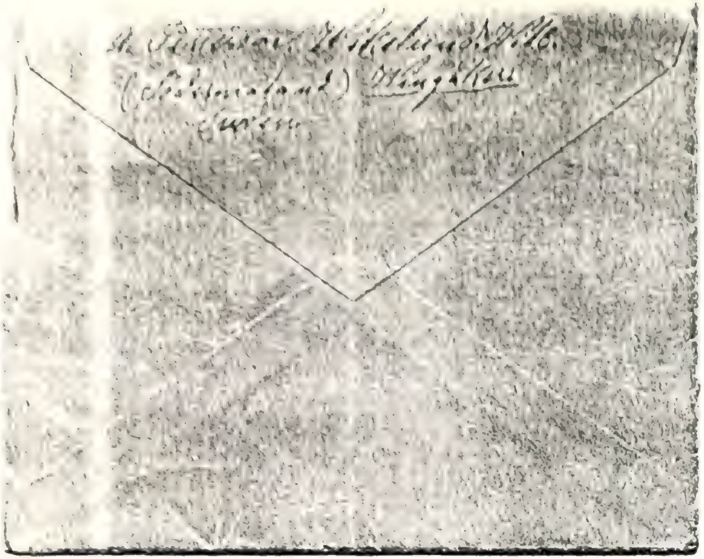
Jag får vän lov att skriva några rader som svar å eratt brev som vi har fått å taka så mykett. Ditt är ju lenge sedan du skrev till os i tak för kortene rara pojkar ni har, du vill vetta mykett ser jag vi har som bettre är helsan i mor hon är rett så bra nu, i jag har ingett annatt arbette nu en jag går dreng att Erik, så när ni komer hem så får ni spöpa stellett av os Här är stor arbetsbrist ingett annatt jemt en nödjelpsarbeten Hjalmar å Oskar dom skall hyra anderbans gamla stuga i vik. Velander har bygten ny villa i kalkungsbaken.

Hjalmar har haft tur han
har haft arbete å reker nog tiden
jub men vere blir dätt nog för
Oskar. Du ville vetta något ifrån
[illegible]berg. E Larson han dog i vintras
men gunnan lever, Erik morbror
som du vett han har varitt i
Göteborg i haftannatt år men
han skatt komma tillbaka
till åby nu i köst igen han trifs
intett där. Läraninan fröken
Olson hon slutar nu nyåret
hon var pankskjansmässig i fjol.
Annar så mår dom bra å har
dätt bra alesamans Sårskilt
Elsa dätt enda som är svårt
för dom är ju att dom bor
därhemma å har ett litten
rum.

att dätt skulle bli så svårt för
karl dätt är nog dant å tenkar på
en kan ingen göra att honom
för han har ju sjelf stan sig
i ålendett dätt är ju förfälitt
svårt för barnen. Om du sjende
ädla bonde hon är ju enka har var
i några år, hennas älsta dotter var
i Stockholm i var förlofvad
på försomaren så gorde di en att
di förkartsitt blir båda två
genom Gasförgiftning. Master
ingrid är dätt skralt mäd
hon lig er så fort hon [illegible]
å karl jonson han är stor
byg mestare nu å bira hon
är hemma å har en pojke

Anna moster å Ernst
har är ingen hört ifrån på
hela sommaren i fjäl var
dom hemma å helsa på
nu får jag sluta å många
helsningar helsa Karl

Venligen Alfr Petterson



[illegible]
[illegible]
i [illegible]
ben han skötä i Dannas på järnafän
men är nu arbetslös han också
Du nämde i din bref att du hade
kläder efter Böjlarna skyla så
mycket du ger, får hå tack dinog,
Maria på dom, jag skall ha elva
att skriva snart igen
Vi fick bref ifrån Kalle i mell-
landagarna han skrifver ingett,
han sant här där skall bara
skicka kort på barn i Steven
undrar om han har Steven gvar
han nemner ingett om där, stor ynd om
hans barn, Jag skall skriva till
honom också, många helsningar
ifrån er allesammans till [illegible]
å aldra sist tack för julklapparne
Alfrid Pettersson.

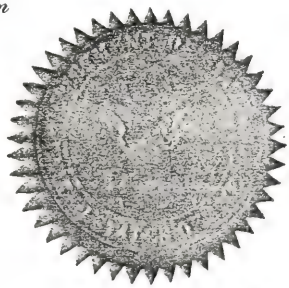
DESCRIPTION OF BEARER

NAME OF BEARER AXEL ANDERSSON			
NAME OF WIFE, IF INCLUDED X X X			
MINOR CHILDREN, IF INCLUDED X X X			
HEIGHT 5'10"	HAIR GREY	EYES GREY	DISTINGUISHING MARKS SCAR ON FOREHEAD. LEFT LITTLE FINGER PARTLY MISSING.
PLACE OF BIRTH SWEDEN			
DATE OF BIRTH JUNE 13, 1887		OCCUPATION MACHINIST	
DATE OF ISSUE MAY 17, 1957		SIGNATURE OF BEARER Axel Andersson	

THIS PASSPORT IS NOT VALID UNLESS SIGNED BY
THE PERSON TO WHOM IT HAS BEEN ISSUED

I, the undersigned, Secretary of State of the United States of America, hereby request all whom it may concern to permit safely and freely to pass, and in case of need to give all lawful aid and protection to the above named citizen(s) of the United States.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Department of State.



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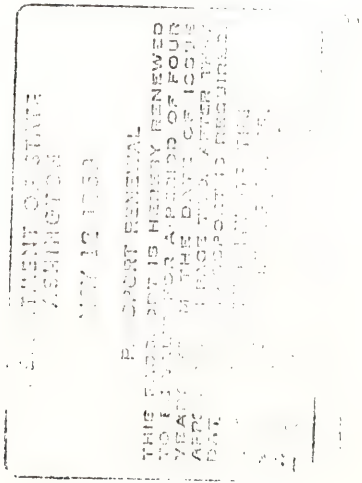

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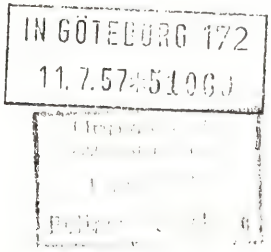

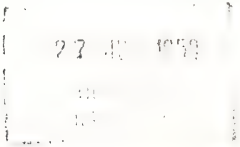

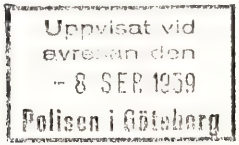

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CERTIFICAT INTERNATIONAL DE VACCINATION OU DE REVACCINATION CONTRE LA VARIOLE

This is to certify that
Je soussigné(e) certifie que Axel Anderson sex / sexe M

whose signature follows
dont la signature suit X Axel Anderson date of birth / né(e) le June 13 1887

has on the date indicated been vaccinated or revaccinated against smallpox.
a été vacciné(e) ou revacciné(e) contre la variole à la date indiquée.

Date	Signature, professional status, and address of vaccinator / Signature, qualité professionnelle, et adresse du vaccinateur	Approved stamp / Cachet d'authentification	The vaccinator shall state whether primary vaccination or revaccination; if primary whether successful. / Le vaccinateur doit indiquer s'il s'agit d'une primovaccination ou de revaccination; en cas de primovaccination, préciser s'il y a eu prise.
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No. _____ June 29 1959

Received of Axel Anderson

Four hundred forty-five & no/100 Dollars

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I jour Dad started
out 48 jars ago ~~I had~~
I had awondeful trif
and ben felin god all
the time but I am kommin
back to u.s.a. thes fal
leving gotenborg Nov 19
mit Gripsholm
Axel Anderson

Sg

Herr
Evert Anderson
80 Congress Drive
Rockford Ill.
U.S.A.

SVERIGE

MRS. ANNA ANDERSON

Mrs. Anna Victoria Anderson, 602 Fitch road, died last night in St. Anthony hospital. She was 57 years old.

Mrs. Anderson had lived in Rockford ever since coming to the United States in 1906 from Sweden, where she was born on Nov. 4, 1887. She was married to Axel Anderson on July 10, 1909, in Rockford.

Surviving are her husband; a daughter, Mrs. Rosella Sciacca, Beloit, Wis.; three sons, Everett Anderson, Rockford; Cpl. Clarence Anderson, in the Philippines, and Eric Anderson, army technician, fifth grade, now home after serving overseas; a brother, Carl Peterson, Rockford, and other brothers and sisters living in Sweden.

Funeral arrangements are being made at the Long-Klontz funeral home, 428 Park avenue.

ANDERSON — Axel Anderson, 83, 2816 Huffman Blvd., died 9 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, 1971, in Swedish-American Hospital after a brief illness. Born June 13, 1887 in Gotenburg, Sweden. Lived 62 years in Rockford, coming here from Sweden. Married to the former Anna Peterson in Rockford July 10, 1909. Employed as a milk driver by Standard Dairy Co. for many years. Member of Vestoota Club. Survivors include: a daughter, Mrs. Rosella Salacca, Rockford; two sons, Everet A. and Eric A. Anderson, both of Rockford; a sister, Miss Olga Anderson, in Sweden; nine grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

Services at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 15 in SUNDBERG FUNERAL HOME, 215 N. 6th St. with the Rev. Dr. O. Garfield Beckstrand II pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church officiating. Burial in Scandinavian Cemeter. There will be no visitation.

DIPHTHERIA IS FATAL

Sven, the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Axel Anderson of 326 Sixteenth avenue, died this morning from diphtheria. Private funeral services will be held Thursday morning at 9 o'clock from the home. Rev. G. E. Hemdahl will officiate and burial will take place in the Scandinavian cemetery. The parents and two brothers survive.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank all our neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted us in our late bereavement in the death of our little son, Swen, also wish to thank those who sent flowers and the employes of the Mechanic Machine Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Axel Anderson.
Clarence and Everett Anderson.

Evert Axel ANDERSON
B. April 9, I9I0
D.
M. Ist April 9, I927
Violet Anderson
B. May 2, I907
D. I96_
M. 2nd July 26, I943
Wilma Mae RIPLEY
B. June 20, I9I0
D.

children
(first 6 to Ist marriage)
(seventh to 2nd marriage)

Virginia
B. May 28, I927
Barbara Ann
B. Feb. 22, I929
James Evert
B. Dec. 25, I93I
Lorraine
B. July 7, I938
Ronald Charles
B. Feb. I9, I940
Nancy
B. Oct. I9, I942
Victoria Grace
B. Oct. I2, I945

Evert Axel ANDERSON, son of Axel ANDERSON and Anna Victoria PETERSON, was born April 9, 1910 in Rockford, Winnebago, Illinois. Evert was born premature and weighed 3½ lbs.; an oven was his incubator. Evert's first language was Swedish. He began learning English when he started grade school, but the two languages caused problems in school.

When he was 8 yrs. old he and friends rode on the rods underneath the boxcars of a train for recreation. It made a water stop by a viaduct on Broadway. They rode it from Broadway to Camp Grant on Kishwaukee St. They stold guns and rifles from the trains at Camp Grant and hid them under the board walks.

Evert's mother, Anna Peterson, wanted to get her family away from the city. Evert moved with his family to a rustic log cabin in northern Wisconsin in 1919. This was the first time he rode on the inside of a train. The cabin had a Deerbrook address.The largest city close to them was Antigo; Doring was six miles away and the closest neighbors were 2 miles away. After the train ride they rode to the cabin in a bobsled. They later moved to a more modern home near Deerbrook.

When Evert started school in Wisconsin he was put back into the 2nd grade. He quit school at the beginning of 6th grade at the age of 12 yrs. because he wanted to go into the woods with his father, Axel Anderson, and because of mean teachers. His father was cutting logs and farming for a living.

When Evert was 10 yrs. old he hauled wood to the city of Doring alone. While coming back in the dark wolves came close to the wagon and scared the horses. The lights of his home were a welcome sight.

Evert joined a lumber camp when he was I4 yrs. old. He made $45 a month skidding logs to the railroad tracks; the logs were loaded onto box cars. He never saw civilization and slept in a bunk house. The bunk house had I5 bunks and I belly stove. He got up at 4:00 A.M., fed, brushed, and harnessed the horses, ate breakfast and was going to work by 6:00 A.M. He ate lunch in the woods and the day ened at 6:00 or 7:00 P.M. Evert spent one winter in the lumber camp. The men in the camp chewed tobacco, didn't take a bath, and wore the same clothes until spring. In the spring they took a bath and bought clothes at Deerbrook.

Dancing was Evert's main source of recreation. He had the pleasure of dancing to Lawrence Welk's band in its early years.

Evert and his family were terrified by a tornado in I925. It became as dark as night and they heard the awful rumbling sounds. They took refuge in the basement when they saw it coming. Trees were flying and roots of trees I0 feet wide were pulled out of the ground. Evert's mother, Anna, refused to stay in Wisconsin because of it.

Evert's father, Axel, came back to Rockford alone to make preparations for the family to return. Later Evert joined him for a few months until the whole family came back to Rockford, Ill.

Upon his return to Rockford at the age of I5 yrs. Evert got a job at Landstrom's Furniture Co., I8th Ave. and IIth St., making 65¢ an hour. He dipped chair seats into stain and put flowers on furniture. He stayed at Landstrom for 7 yrs. He worked in furniture factories in Rockford until I942. During World War II he worked at a machine shop for $90 a week running radial drills that made sirens for ships. After WWII he returned to furniture factories until his retirement at the age of 62 yrs.

Evert was I5 yrs. old when he got his first car. It was a I924 Model T Ford touring car with side curtains to keep the rain out. He and his brother, Clarence, were confirmed at Calvary English Church March 27, I926

Evert Anderson married Violet Anderson April 9, I927. They moved in with his parents until their first child, Virginia, was born May 28, I927. Violet's parents, Charlie and Lena Anderson, helped them buy a house on Sawyer Rd. and a car. They had their second child, Barbara Ann, Feb. 22, I929 and their third, James Evert, Dec. 25, I93I.

During I932 Evert was working at Rockford Peerless Furniture Co. He started at $7.50 a day for a full day. The employers cut his pay to 36¢ an hour and cut to 2 or 3 hours a day. He asked them to lay him off so he could go on welfare. Relief came from the County Welfare, but he wasn't allowed a car or a license. He walked from Brooke Rd. to Water St. to get groceries with the relief slips. They lost their home on Sawyer road during the depression because they couldn't come up with $6 worth of taxes. They and their three children moved into the garage of Evert's parents home on Barnum Rd. for the summer and then moved to a home at 7th St. and 8th Ave.

They had the rest of their children: Lorraine, July 7, I938, Ronald Charles, Feb. I9, I940, Nancy, Oct. I9, I942. Evert and Violet became divorced in I942.

Evert Axel Anderson married Wilma Mae Ripley July 26, I943 in Rockford, Winnebago, Illinois. They were both 33 yrs. old and were married by the same minister that confirmed Evert in I926.

Following Pages:
Evert Anderson's Birth Certificate
" " Baptism
" " Calvary News-Confirmation Class-first 2 names
" " Certificate of Confirmation

The Unique Press, Rockford, Ill.

Certificate of Birth

STATE OF ILLINOIS,
County of Winnebago } ss.

I, HORACE M. SKINNER, Winnebago County Clerk, do hereby certify

that Evert Anderson of the Male sex
(Male or Female)

was born on April 7, 1910 (Date of Birth) at Rockford Illinois (City or Village)

in the County of Winnebago and State of Illinois, all of which appears from the records and files in my office.

GIVEN under by hand and seal, this 3rd day of October 1947

Horace M. Skinner
COUNTY CLERK

(Void if County seal is not impressed hereon)

Filed for record April 14, 1910.

Härmed intygas,

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och h.h. Anna Andersons
son född i Rockford Ill.
den 9de dagen i April månad 1910
blef af mig denna dag den 23dje Dec 1910

döpt i Guds,

Fadrens och Sonens och den Helige Andes Namn,

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Faddrar.

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Emma E. Peterson

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Rockford Ill den 23/12 1910

Pastor.

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Låten barnen komma till mig och förmenen dem icke Luk. 18:16.

Hvilken som icke motager Guds rike såsom ett barn, han kommer aldrig därin. Marc. 10.

Dop-Attest.

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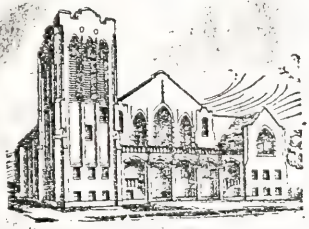

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The following class of thirty-six members will be confirmed at Calvary Church at 11 o'clock Sunday morning:

BOYS

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Evert Axel Anderson
Rudolph Hulgar Bergstrom
Arthur Buskie
Richard Albert Buskie
Wilbur E. Carlson
Howard Edward Dibert
Harold A. Fridell
Charles D. Hedlund
John Lawnduski
Roland E. Leaf
Joseph J. Malcomson
Jacob Pippel
Howard Powers
Alfred W. Riverdahl
Ellsbury George Sederquist
Kenneth Lloyd Williams

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Mildred Eleanor Anderson
Angeline E. Bacilek
Karla E. Bacilek
Mary Bacilek
Gladys Sophia Carlson
Helen Erickson
Eva Rowena Jervis
Helen Bernice Larson
Camelia V. Malmstrom
Edna Lucille McCartney
Emert Ohman
Doris Nadine Powers
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Lois Powers
Eva G. Rockman
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Violet B. Stone
Lulu Tupper

This is to CERTIFY

That **Evert Axel Anderson**

having been duly instructed in the doctrines and duties of the Christian Religion, as confessed, taught, and believed by the

United Lutheran Church

and having formally professed faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and vowed obedience to His Gospel, was received into full Communion with **Calvary Engl. Luth. Church**

by the solemn rite of CONFIRMATION on the

28th day of March

in the year of Our Lord one thousand, nine hundred and twenty Six

Rev. Melvin C. Smith

PASTOR

MATERNAL

The information on my ancestors from Nicholas Knapp to Rebecca Knapp was copied from the NICHOLAS KNAPP GENEALOGY. It was done by a genealogical expert. I received it from Marilyn Hanson, Kenai, Alaska. (my third cousin-also a RIPLEY-KNAPP descendant.)

KNAPP GENEALOGY

FIRST GENERATION
A-I

Nicholas KNAPP, immigrant ancestor. Parentage unknown.
B. In England. Exact place unknown.
D. April 16, 1670, Fairfield, Conn.
M. Ist Elinor _____. She died June or Aug. 16, 1658, Fairfield, Conn. 2nd Unica (Unity) Brown, March 9, 1659.
All children born to first marriage. All children born at Watertown, Mass. except Lydia.

B-1 Jonathan
B-2 Timothy
B-3 Joshua
B-4 Caleb
B-5 Sarah
B-6 Ruth
B-7 Hannah
B-8 Moses
B-9 Lydia

SECOND GENERATION
B-4

Caleb KNAPP, son of A-1. Nicholas and Elinor (_____) Knapp.
B. Nov. 20, 1636 or Jan. 20, 1637. Watertown, Mass.
D. Before March 4, 1675, when his inventory was taken. His will dated Dec. 2, 1674.
M. Hannah SMITH at Stamford, Conn. about 1660 and lived there. She died June, 1685, was daughter of Dr. Henry Smith, of Stamford and his Ist wife, name unknown, son of Thomas SMITH of London, England.

C-1 Caleb
C-2 John
C-3 Moses
C-4 Samuel

THIRD GENERATION
C-4

Samuel KNAPP, son of B-4. Caleb and Hannah (Smith) Knapp.
B. 1668, Stamford, Conn.
D. 1739, Danbury, Conn.
M. 1696, Hannah BUSHNELL, daughter of Francis BUSHNELL and wife Hannah (SEAMEN OR SEYMOUR).
Hannah BUSHNELL was born at Norwalk, Conn. Aug. 22, 1676.
Died 1722/23.
2nd marriage June 18, 1726, Phoebe, daughter of James Lockwood, of Norwalk.
Children are to first marriage.

D-1 Joshua
D-2 Samuel
D-3 John
D-4 Francis
D-5 Abigail
D-6 Caleb
D-7 Mercy
D-8 Aaron
D-9 Hannah

Two Samuel Knapps lived in Danbury at the same time. Both died in 1739. This makes the tracing of their life activities difficult and confusing.

C-4. The above Samuel was known as Lieut. Samuel. He was an Ensign in the Train Band in 1713. Lieut. in the Train Band and Representative in the Assembly in 1716-1721-1722. He was a weaver by occupation. Moved to Danbury before 1700, probably as early as 1685 as he was among the first eight families that settled there. The Allegheny County, Pa. History, p. 785, says of Samuel Knapp: "Tradition says that he was commissioned by the King of England to locate and survey the Town of Danbury and settle thereon a certain number of families in a certain length of time, and if he did this, he was to have a certain tract of land for his services." This cannot be verified for the Danbury records were destroyed in the burning of Danbury by the British in 1777. Various accounts differ. He was in Danbury after 1691 and as early as 1697 and probably earlier, for Thomas Lawrence of Stamford, in his will of July 26, 1691 calls him "son-in-law Samuel Knap." He was really his stepson and not his son-in-law. Perhaps he lived in Stamford at that time. See Fairfield Probate Records, Vol. 1689, page 48. Thomas Lawrence Aug. 16, 1791, Fairfield Probate Records, Vol. 1689-1701, page 172, says: "Samuel Knap of Danbury appeared in Court this 2 of Nov. and gave oath to the truth of the above inventory of the estate of Francis BUSHNELL of Danbury, deceased Oct. 1697." The Conn. General Assembly held in New Haven confirmed him as Exsign of the Train Band in Oct. 1713. He was promoted to Lieut. in May 1716, by the General Assembly held at Hartford. He was a Deputy to the General Assembly held at Hartford May 10, 1716 and May 11, 1721. Fairfield Probate Records, Vol. 1724-1740, page 541, give the inventory of the Estate of Lieut. Samuel Knap, of Danbury, April 4, 1740, John Knap being administrator. The index gives his name as "Sr". Francis Bushnell was one of the eight original settlers of Danbury as appears in the Norwalk Land Records, Vol. IV, page 438. "March 1, 1712 Samuel Knap, weaver, and Hannah Knap, his wife, of Danbury, with 10 others, convey their interest in the land at Norwalk, as heirs of Francis Bushnell, deceased, of Danbury." (Land Records of Danbury)

FOURTH GENERATION
D-3

John KNAPP, son of C-4. Samuel and Hannah (Bushnell) Knapp.
B. 1700, Danbury, Conn.
D. 1758, on shipboard on Lake Erie and buried in the lake.
M. 1724, (Margaret?) Taylor, daughter of Daniel TAYLOR, who in his will mentions his dear daughter, wife of John Knapp, of Danbury. John had 4 sons in the Revolution. Lived in Danbury.

Children to D-3:

E-I John
E-2 Samuel
E-3 Charles
E-4 Elijah
E-5 Zadock
E-6 Zephaniah
E-7 Amos
E-8 Luke
E-9 Ruth
E-10 Elizabeth
E-II Joseph

D-3. John KNAPP, "A man of standing. Officer in the French and Indian War." He was killed or died on shipboard on Lake Erie and was buried in the lake. He was appointed guardian of Samuel (nephew) Apr. 4, 1740. He took inventory of the estate of Stephen Curtis who died in 1741, the husband of his sister Abigail. He was appointed by the Probate Court of Danbury as Guardian, Administrator and Executor. John's brother, Francis, married Deborah Taylor, daughter of Daniel Taylor, and from later information it is believed that John married her sister, Mary, but some think John's wife's name was Rebecca.

FIFTH GENERATION
E-4

Elijah KNAPP, son of D-3. John and _____(Taylor) Knapp.
B. 1733/36, Danbury, Conn.
D. Oct. 17, 1823, Glenville, N. Y. where he last resided, in his 87th year. His grave record says he died in 1825. D.A.R. says he died in 1823.
M. 1st October, 1769, at Norfolk, Conn., Rachel Barden. (Recorded in Church of Christ, Norfolk.) 2nd 1779 Sarah or Phoebe Watkins, Basking Ridge, N.J. She died Jan., 1823, daughter of Joseph and Frances (SPINNING) WATKINS. 3rd Irene Ferris. No children. (We are not sure which child belongs to which wife. Some of the dates of birth cannot be explained.) Probably the first three children belonged to Rachel Barden.

F-I John
F-2 Margaret
F-3 William M.
F-4 David
F-5 Frances or Fanny
F-6 Elijah, Jr.
F-7 Elizabeth
F-8 Amos
F-9 Daniel
F-10 Phoebe
F-II Sarah Ann

E-4. Elijah Knapp's Last Will and Testament follows: "I, Elijah Knapp, of the 4th Ward of the City of Schenectady, considering the uncertainties of this mortal life and being of sound mind and memory, blessed be Almighty God for the same, do make and publish this my last will and testament in the manner and form following: that is to say: First, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife, Irene, two feather beds and bedding and a suitable set of household furniture for keeping house and the use of my best room in my house so long as she remains my widow: and also one cow, the same to be kept on the farm where I now reside, except my said wife shall otherwise agree, and also I give to my said wife 150 weight of good pork, six bushels of good wheat, 2 bushels of good corn and 4 bushels of potatoes and a sufficient quantity of fire-wood cut and ready for one fire, all said articles to be furnished annually by my Executor

hereinafter named, so long as she remains my widow. Also, I give and bequeath unto my son John Knapp, $10.00. Also, I give and bequeath unto my son William Knapp, $10.00. Also, I give and bequeath unto my daughter, Margaret Underhill, wife of John Underhill, $10.00. Each three several sums of $10.00 to be paid in one year after my decease. I also give and bequeath unto my 5 sons and 4 daughters hereafter named, my farm where I now reside, to them, their heirs and assigns forever together with all my personal property not heretofore disposed of, to be divided in the manner following, that is to say: to my son Elijah Knapp, 2 shares, to my son David Knapp, two shares, to my son Daniel Knapp, 2 shares, to my son Amos Knapp, two shares, to my son John W. Knapp, two shares, to my daughter Fanny Glenn, wife of Alexander Glenn, one share, to my daughter Betsey Knapp, one share, to my daughter, Phebe Seaman, wife of Joshua Seaman, one share and to my daughter Sarah Ann Knapp, one share, so as when it is divided my 5 last mentioned sons to have each a double share, to my last mentioned daughters a single share. And lastly I appoint my son, David Knapp, and my son, Elijah Knapp, true and lawful executors to this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal this 15th day of December, 1820. Signed, sealed and declared by me, Elijah Knapp, to be my last will and testament, in the presence of Westcome Potter, John Lawsing and Lydia Drew. Signed, Elijah Knapp, (L.S.)." Will admitted to Probate before Giles F. Yates, Surrogate, Jan. 21, 1824. Recorded in Will Book, B, page 21, County of Schenectady, N.Y.

From Elijah Knapp's War record, he was living in Bernardstown, N.J. in 1794 and Schenectady, N.Y. in 1820. He was a pew holder in the Presbyterian Church at Basking Ridge, N.J. between 1783-86 and 1787-1792. He served with the Conn. Troops. His Capt. was Titus Watson, also of Norfolk, who moved before or during the Revolution to Balston, N.Y. He was pensioned for services as a private in Conn. troops under Col. Heman Swift. Elijah is listed as a Freeholder in Bernards Township, Somerset Co., N.J. in 1790. At least two of his children, Amos and Elizabeth, were born in N.J. The pension office states he was living in "Bernardstown" (Bernard Township probably) in 1794. The 1834 list of pensioners includes Elijah in the Saratoga Co. disability list with the note "Transferred from N. Jersey Mch. 4, 1795." Despite the Saratoga Co. listing he was actually in Schenectady Co. just across the line and about midway between Glenville and Charlton. He was buried in the 1st Reformed Dutch Church graveyard, Glenville. David G. Knapp says his tombstone bears the following inscription "Elijah Knapp died 17th Oct. 1823 in the 87th year of his age."

Another account reads:

"Little has been learned of the early Connecticut life of Elijah Knapp. He is said to have served in the French and Indian War, and at the outbreak of the Revolution we find him in middle life at Norfolk whence he enlisted early and served as private, corporal and sergeant of the Connecticut Line. He was wounded at the Battle of Green Spring (Virginia) July 6, 1781. He and Joseph Watkins held ajoining pews at the Presbyterian Church in Basking Ridge immediately after the Revolution and evidently owned their homes there (being included in a list of freeholders of the period). About 1794 Elijah Knapp removed with his growing

family to a farm in the township of Glenville, New York (then the Fourth Ward of the City of Schenectady) not far from the Charlton boundary line. There he remained and prospered as a farmer and householder, living to witness the participation of his own children in the westward expansion that followed the establishment of peace and security. His final resting place is a hilltop grave amid those of hes family and neighbors in the village center churchyard (First Reformed) overlooking the scenic Glenville countryside."

SIXTH GENERATION
F-6

Elijah KNAPP,Jr., son of F-4. Elijah and Phoebe (WATKINS) KNAPP.
B. Jan.23, 1786, Glenville, N.Y.
D. May 6 or 16, 1840, Glenville, (or Apr. 16, 1840).
M. Ist _____ DeWitte.
2nd Rachel Randall Johnson, B.April 3, 1798. D. Nov. 18, 1836, Amsterdam, N.Y. She M. Ist Levi Paulding or Pawling who died Oct. 22, 1821. She was daughter of John and Rebecca (Witherell) Johnson.

G-1 Margaret Ann
G-2 John Johnson
G-3 Rebecca Witherell
G-4 Thomas Collins
G-5 Elijah F.
G-6 Abbie Ann
G-7 Eliza Sarah
G-8 Sally
G-9 Mary
G-10 Phoebe Susan

SEVENTH GENERATION
G-3

Rebecca Witherell KNAPP, daughter of F-6 Elijah KNAPP,Jr. and Rachel Randall JOHNSON.
B. Oct. 11, 1825
D. April 19, 1928 Fairmont Cemetery, Polo, Ogle, Ill.
M. Ist Nov. 16, 1842, Addison M. RIPLEY, who died Sept. 2, 1859. She married 2nd _____ and 3rd Samuel Middleton, June 11, 1876. All children from first marriage.

H-1 John Melvin
(died in prison during the Civil War)
H-2 Rachel
H-3 Phebe Anna
H-4 Simeon Elijah

EIGHTH GENERATION
H-4

Simeon Elijah RIPLEY, son of G-3 Rebecca Witherell KNAPP and Addison M. RIPLEY.
B. Dec. 13, 1857
D. Oct. 8, 1899
M. Nov. 15, 1882
Margaret Elmira SPENCER
B. June 9, 1864
D. Sept. 28, 1955

children
Alice Rebecca
Willis Albert
Olive Ruth

(SPENCER history begins following page)

SPENCER D.A.R. RECORD

John Spencer -immigrant from Plymouth England on the ship John and Mary. Landed at Nantucket near Boston May 30, 1630.

Michael Spencer (only child of John above).
Michael Spencer enlisted and served as a private in Capt. Mains Co., Col Ebenezer Sprouts--Mass. Regulars. He was alloted pension on application filed July 30, 1832. He died Feb 26, 1846. His widow Amy Edgecombe received a pension on her application of Mar. 1853 in New Hartford Conn. His pension read "Michael Spencer private age 57 years entitled to an annual pension of $26.66 for services."

Record from Library of Congress page 475 to 537, Vol. I "My Parents and Their Kin" by Homer W. Brainard, Conn Historial Library, No 1, Eliz. St., Hartford Conn. The Pensioners of Litchfield Co. Vol I. page 653.

Michael SPENCER and Amy WIGECOMBE had six children:

1. Naaman
2. Isaac-settled in South Carolina-no record
3. Zacaharri-lived in New Hartford, Conn.
   his children: Alvin, Twight, Zacaharri, Henry, Polly Ann, Candace.
4. Chloe-no record
5. Delia-no record
6. Luman - married Payrevelia Puck - their children:
   Isaac, Edson, Lovina.
   2nd marriage-Loreva Phillips or Phelps-one son-
   Edward Phelps Spencer

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	children
Naaman SPENCER, Sr.	William Trumble
B. April 13, 1790	Fannie
D. Jan.3, 1873	Alanson
M. July 11, 1811	Allen Benham
Diantha BENHAM	Lucinda) twins
B. Nov. 10, 1794	Lucebia)Apr. 21, 1821
D. Sept. 11, 1861	D. March 12, 1822
	Naaman, Jr.
	Diantha
	Clarinda
	Isaac

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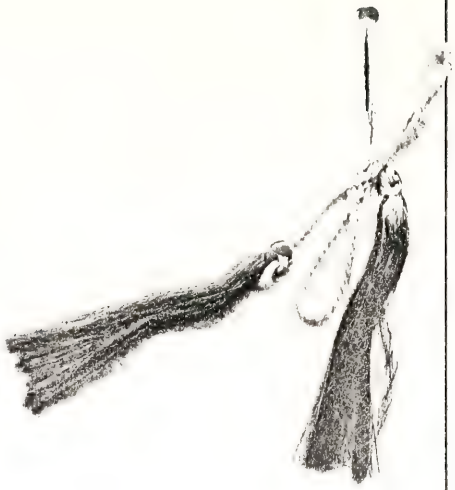
	children
Naaman SPENCER,JR.	Lewis
B. Feb. 24, 1824	Jehial
D. Jan. 15, 1914	Elias
M. 1845	Alanson
Julia Ella Baldwin HUNT	Charley
B. May 9, 1830	Margaret Elmira
D. Sept. 5, 1865	2 boys died in infancy

The following SPENCER-BENHAM summarized history was written by Bertha Bailey (B. Dec.5, 1887 D. May, 1975) wife of Frank Spencer. (Naaman,Sr., Naaman,Jr., Jehial. Jehial is Frank's father) Frank and Bertha (Bailey) Spencer's daughter, Oleta Depue, Rt.2, Sterling, Ill., is the present SPENCER-BENHAM historian.

There are references to Eagle Point, Ill. in the summarized history. Eagle Point is a township in Ogle County situated between Milledgeville, Carroll, Ill. and Polo, Ogle, Ill. (see map last page)



Summarized History

OF THE

SPENCER-BENHAM

REUNION ASSOCIATION

Taken from Old Record Book

SPECIAL MENTION OF INCIDENTS AND EVENTS IN THE LIVES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SPENCER-BENHAM ASSOCIATION

IT IS unknown to us today how long the organization will be kept up, but should it terminate, when the children and grandchildren of the founders of the western branch of the family shall have passed away, we feel that there will be "decendants" who will be curious to know something of the "old folks."

The first reunion was held July 4, 1870; the last time all the children of Naaman and Diantha Spencer were together.

Diantha had passed away before this reunion.

The idea of organizing and holding an annual reunion did not enter the minds of relatives at that time. The years came and passed and many were born and many had died and it was at the funeral of a relative at the West Elkhorn Cemetery that the remark was made that, "It would be a pleasure to have the relatives get together and have a reunion at a time when the heart did not ache for some loved one that had passed away, and at the old Homestead instead of in the Cemetery.

Several cousins got together and started plans for having an annual reunion, which was held Sept. 22, 1897 at the old homestead. A census taken that day of the family living, showed 5 children, 33 grand children, 56 great grand children. A total of 216 decendants of Diantha Benham and Naaman Spencer Sr., who were the founders of the western branch of the family. A picture was taken of this group.

Henry Elsey was elected Sec'y and Treas. for the Spencer-Benham Reunion Association, and served faithfully for many years. The first President, Elias Spencer, son of Naaman Jr., grandson of Naaman Sr. was elected at the reunion of 1901.

The reunion of 1899 was held at the home of Mrs. Clarinda Case, daughter of Naaman Sr., as were many of the following reunions.

At the reunion of 1902, it was voted to give a silver spoon to the youngest member present. This custom is still followed. The first spoon was presented to Nellie Spencer Cramer, daughter of Harry and Viola Spencer.

The qualifications of membership in the Spencer-Benham Association are: All who are related by blood or marriage to Naaman and Diantha Benham Spencer, his wife and their decendants. The object: To perpetuate the memory of the "Pioneers" of the western branch of the family, and to meet and greet the relatives annually at some convenient place.

Naaman Spencer Sr. was born in Conn. in 1789. He was the son of John Spencer also a native of that state. It is a tradition handed down that the family is of English decent, and came to America before the Revolutionary War. Naaman was a miller by trade, but he also worked at the cooper trade when occasion required. On July 16, 1811 he married Diantha Benham, who was born in 1794. She was also a native of Conn. Her geneology can be traced back to 1638 when John Benham came to Boston from England on the ship "Mary and John." There can be no doubt but that Naaman and Diantha Spencer were genuine Conn. "Yankees."

In 1833 they moved to Bradford Co. Penn., where Naaman labored to make a home in the forest by cutting down and burning the heavy timber.

The news reached them, that beyond the great lakes was land that was rich and free from rocks and trees, where a farm could soon be made without years of hard labor to clear the land. It was soon arranged that Naaman and his son Allen B. should go and view the land and if it was half as good as it was reported to be, they would return or send for the rest of the family. The journey was slow, but they arrived at the Dixon ferry in the fall of 1837, and crossing over they took a northwest course until they arrived at the Humphrey tavern, which was one of the noted stopping places on the "Sucker trail."

They found the land to be all that had been told concerning it. The few settlers were poor but welcomed the newcomers. Of work there was plenty but money was scarce and hard to get. Mr. Spencer had brought a few cooper tools along with him and he was anxious to get to work.

Elickim Todd had settled south of the Grove and he learned that Mr. Spencer was a cooper and he was willing that Mr. Spencer and son Allen should share his log cabin during the winter, and make barrels and cut rails in the grove. In this way the winter was passed and in the spring of 1838 they moved to a log cabin north of the grove.

The cabin had been built by John Ankeny in 1831 and abandoned when the Blackhawk War broke out. Harry Smith was the owner of the cabin and he let Mr. Spencer have a small plot of ground to plant corn and potatoes, so they had a nice garden growing when the family arrived in June. Here the united family stayed 4 or 5 years working for the neighbors, working land on shares and trying to lay by what funds they could in order to be ready to buy a home when the land office opened.

The next move was to Eagle Point, where the children grew to manhood and womanhood and went forth to make homes for themselves. Naaman and Diantha spent the remainder of their lives on the homestead at Eagle Point, and then it passed into the hands of their son Isaac Spencer. Naaman Spencer Sr. died Jan. 3, 1873 age 84 yrs., 8 mo., and 20 days. Diantha died Sept. 11, 1861, age 67 years.

To them were born nine children—William, Fanny, Alanson, Allen B, Lucinda, Naaman Jr., Diantha, Clarinda, and Isaac. These nine were parents of 43 children.

When Naaman and Diantha were young folks, negro slavery existed in Conn., and they related many incidents of the sale of negros. One was that *1 negro boy* was sold for *1 bushel of wheat for each pound of nigger.* The business was done mostly by barter, as there was little money in circulation. Naaman Sr. and his wife were outspoken in opposition to human slavery and nothing so offended them as to see needless suffering inflicted upon any living thing. Their religious views and belief can be briefly stated. They were Universalists and with Longfellow they exclaimed, "We can but hope that some great good, will be the final goal of all," and "He that prayeth best and loveth best, All things both great and small, For the dear Lord above us, Did make and love us all."

These "old folks" were dearly loved by all who knew them.

Allen B. Spencer was one of the most loved and honored members, by all who knew him. He was not educated in the public schools, but in the great school of life. He loved and studied nature, and loved birds and bees, and they seemed to understand him. In his 92nd year he climbed an 18 ft. ladder, to the top of a tree and removed and hived a swarm of bees. He made 7 trips up the ladder, before he had them all down.

Alanson Spencer called "Lant," by his friends was a cooper by trade. He made many barrels that were used at the mill on Pine Creek and at the Wilson Mill. He was a great friend of children and they loved him. After school they would gather around him to hear him whistle while he kept time with his cooper tools.

Isaac Spencer "Uncle Ike" as he was always called, was a great fisherman and hunter and probably no resident of Illinois has ever killed more of our native game than he.

The gavel used to call these meetings to order was made by Naaman Spencer Jr. when he was 84 years old, or in the year 1908. He was the first man of which a record is made of threshing grain with a steam engine. This was in 1856. He was the inventor of the long straw carrier, side elevator on the threshing machine; the Spencer gang plow "The Defiance," and other useful inventions. He manufactured farm machinery at Eagle Point, in addition to sawing lumber. He also erected a blast furnace. Through his energy and mechanical skill he did much more toward subduing the western wilds than the average man.

William Spencer was a lover of good farm horses and record is made of his care of his oxen, which he curried as much as he did his horses. He was a nervous type like his father, but a very jovial fellow.

Fanny married Elias Woodin, Lucinda married Henry Jenkins, Diantha married Lewis Porter, Clarinda married Luke Case.

Some of the things that will seem strange to the later generation are: when the pioneers made homes in Illinois there were no friction matches, such as we have today. Fire was started with flint, steel, and kinder box, and at times with a flint lock musket. A bunch of dry tow was placed in

the fireplace, a light charge of gun powder placed in the musket, the musket was then fired at the tow, which generally caught fire.

Allen Spencer when a lad went from a log house on the Harry Smith place to the Neikick farm with an iron kettle in which to get fire, neglect to cover up the red hot coals caused them to go out. A bundle of kindling was carried along with which to rekindle the fire when it became too low.

The first plows used in Elkhorn grove were made entirely of wood. Wooden mould boards were in use as late as 1852. Oxen were used to plow corn in the forties. A willow basket was tied over their noses to prevent them from eating the corn.

The members of the Spencer-Benham family have nothing to be ashamed of when they note the number that was ready to die if need be to defend the American flag and the United States Constitution. The record shows that 55 Spencers from Conn. served in the Revolutionary War; 4 in the War of 1812; 5 Woodins in Revolutionary War; 1 in the War of 1812; and 63 in Civil War. The record is not complete of those who served in the World War. Only 12 names being recorded.

The names of the presidents that have served up to 1938 are: Elias Spencer, John Coffee, Dr. Krebbes, Mary Duffy, Elmer Case, Grace Spencer, Clyde Davison, Emma Layton, Aris Riggs, Clyde Spencer, Beulah Schriener, Chas. Engle, Lee Spencer, Frank Spencer.

The spoon has been presented to Nellie Spencer Kramer, 1902; Beulah Layton Schriener, 1903; Romelia Spencer Baker, 1904; Frank Lewis Riggs, 1905; Grace Spencer Peterson, 1906; Isaac Allen Spencer, 1907; Willis Jehial Spencer, 1908; Russell Riggs, 1909; John Romayne Spencer, 1910; Gerald Eugene Doherty, 1911; Oleta Spencer De Puy, 1912; Bryant C. Fahrney, 1913; Elida Hart Elasasser, 1914; Delbert Marvin Krebbs, 1915; Bernyce L. Vere Roderick (granddaughter of Clyde Davison), 1916; Elizabeth Hunt Rider, 1917; Foster Fay Deets, 1918; Lester Deets, 1919; Thelma Bender, 1920; Wayne Arthur Spencer, 1921; Kathryn Lavon Schriener Strauch, 1922; A daughter of Allen Myers, 1923; Evelyn Kramer, 1924; John Loren Deets, 1925; Neita Arleen Weigle, 1926; Guy Bender Jr., 1927; Ruth Elizabeth Deets, 1928; Frank Gail Spencer, 1929; Robert Max Fredricks, 1930; Donald Harold Spencer, 1931; Arnola Ruth Kramer, 1932; Lenora Jean Horner, 1933; Doris Mae and Loris Faye Spencer (twins), 1934; Richard Max Baker, 1935; Ronald LaVerne Bender, 1936; Cheryle Adelle Sheen, 1937; Connie Lee Strauch, 1938.

No minutes for the year 1921. A memorial was held at the West Elkhorn Cemetery on July 10 of that year.

Henry Elsey, the husband of Clarinda Spencer, was not related by blood but it is interesting to note that he was connected with the under ground railroad. The purpose of which was to assist runaway negroes to escape to Canada. For two years he made many trips from Fulton to Byron and Mt. Morris by way of Shaver "hollow," being assisted by Solomon Shaver and helping many negroes to escape to Canada and gain their freedom.

Going through the old record we found many Captains, Majors, and Sergeants that served in the different wars.

Naaman Spencer, Jr. was born in Hartford, Conn. and came to Illinois at the age of fourteen. When he was twenty-one years old he married Julia Ella Baldwin Hunt, she was only fifteen. After twenty years of marriage and giving birth to eight children, Julia Hunt died at the age of thirty-five at Eagle Point, Ogle, Ill. At the time of her death her oldest child was twenty and her youngest, Margaret Elmira, was 15 months old.

On Aug. 28, 1966 Naaman Spencer, Jr. married Fannie Johnson. She was born July 22, 1825 and was the widow of Ashel Johnson: cousin of Naaman Spencer, Jr. She had one son, Chas. Sumner Johnson. The Johnsons were from the BENHAM line. Naaman, Jr. and Fannie never had any children together. Fannie Johnson died April 8, 1903 at the age of 78. Naaman Spencer, Jr. died Jan. 15, 1914 at Eagle Point, Ogle, Ill. at the age of 90.

Margaret Elmira Spencer, daughter of Naaman Spencer, Jr. and Julia Hunt, was born June 9, 1864 at Eagle Point, Ogle, Illinois. She moved to Milledgeville when she was 6 years old and finished growing up there. On Nov. 15, 1882 she married Simeon Elijah Ripley. He was born in New York City, N.Y., but it is uncertain when he came to Milledgeville. On their marriage license they both listed their residence as Wysox, Ill. Milledgeville is in the township of Wysox. After their marriage they moved to Polo, Ogle, Illinois where Simeon Ripley was a blacksmith. He became ill and quit blacksmithing and began studying undertaking, which is what he did until he died Oct. 8, 1899 at the age of 42 of heart trouble. They had three children: Alice Rebecca, Willis

Albert, and Olive Ruth.

Margaret Elmira Spencer married Gabriel Sarber March 17, 1908. (B. May 15, 1874 D. Nov.23, 1942) He had three children from a previous marriage that she helped raise: Wesley, Ina, and Gertrude. She died Sept. 28, 1955 at the age of 91. She was explained as being very strong willed and good humored.

The following four pages:

Margaret Elmira Spencer and Simeon Elijah Ripley:
marriage license

Simeon Elijah Ripley - wallet- inscription:
S. E. Ripley
Local Agent
Polo, Ill.

Note on Christmas card from Margaret Elmira Spencer sent to her granddaughter (Wilma Ripley) and family on Dec. 16, 1950. She was 86 years old.

Margaret Elmira Spencer-obituary

MARRIAGE LICENSE

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Carroll County

TO ANY PERSON LEGALLY AUTHORIZED TO SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGE.

CERTIFICATE

Marriage may be Celebrated

Between Mr Simeon E. Ripley of Mt Carroll in the County of Carroll and State of Illinois of the age of twenty four years and Miss Elmira Spencer of Mt Carroll in the County of Carroll and State of Illinois of the age of Eighteen years

Witness E. T. E. Becker County Clerk and the seal of said County at his Office in Mt Carroll in said County this 11th day of Nov A.D. 188 2

E. T. E. Becker County Clerk

STATE OF ILLINOIS } ss
Carroll County }

I C. W. Crall a Minister of the Gospel hereby certify that Mr Simeon E. Ripley and Miss Elmira Spencer were united in Marriage by me at Mt Carroll in the County of Carroll and State of Illinois, on the 15th day of Nov A.D. 188 2

C. W. Crall

Pastor M. E. Church

It is the duty of the person celebrating the Marriage to fill out and sign the above Certificate and to return the same, together with the License, to the County Clerk within thirty days after the Marriage is solemnized. ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS PENALTY FOR FAILING SO TO DO.

Illinois State Board of Health.

Return of a Marriage to County Clerk.

1. Full Name of Groom, Simeon E. Ripley
2. Place of Residence, Tycox Ills
3. Occupation, Blacksmith
4. Place of Residence, 2[illegible] years. Color, White Race, Amer[illegible]
5. Place of Birth, [illegible] City N.Y.
6. Father's Name, Addison M. Ripley
7. Mother's Maiden Name, Rebecca W. Knapp
8. Number of Groom's Marriage, 1st
9. Full Name of Bride, Elmira Spencer
10. Maiden Name, if a Widow, — —
11. Place of Residence, Tycox Ills
12. Age next Birthday, 19 years. Color, White Race, Amer[illegible]
13. Place of Birth, Illinois
14. Father's Name, [illegible] Spencer
15. Mother's Maiden Name, Julia Hunt
16. Number of Bride's Marriage, 1st
16. Married at Mt Carroll in the County of Carroll and State of Illinois, the 15th day of November 1882
17. Witnesses to Marriage, Mrs D. C. Conklin

N. B.—At Nos 8 and 15 state whether 1st, 2d, 3d, &c., Marriage of each. 17 give names of subscribing witnesses to the Marriage Certificate. If no subscribing witnesses, give names of two persons who witnessed the ceremony.

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We Hereby Certify that the information above given is correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Simeon E. Ripley (Groom.)

Elmira Spencer (Bride.)

I Hereby Certify that the above is a correct return of a Marriage solemnized by me.

C. W. Crall

Pastor M. E. Ch.

Dated at Mt Carroll this 15th

Nov 1882

This Return is to be carefully filled out and returned with the Marriage License. [illegible] Is ADDITION [illegible]

No 2477

MARRIAGE LICENSE

ADULT.

Mr. Simeon E. Ripley

with

Miss Elmira Spencer

Issued Nov 11th 1882

Married Nov 15th 1882

Filed Nov 16 1882

E. T. E. Becker

Clerk.

Registered _____ 188__

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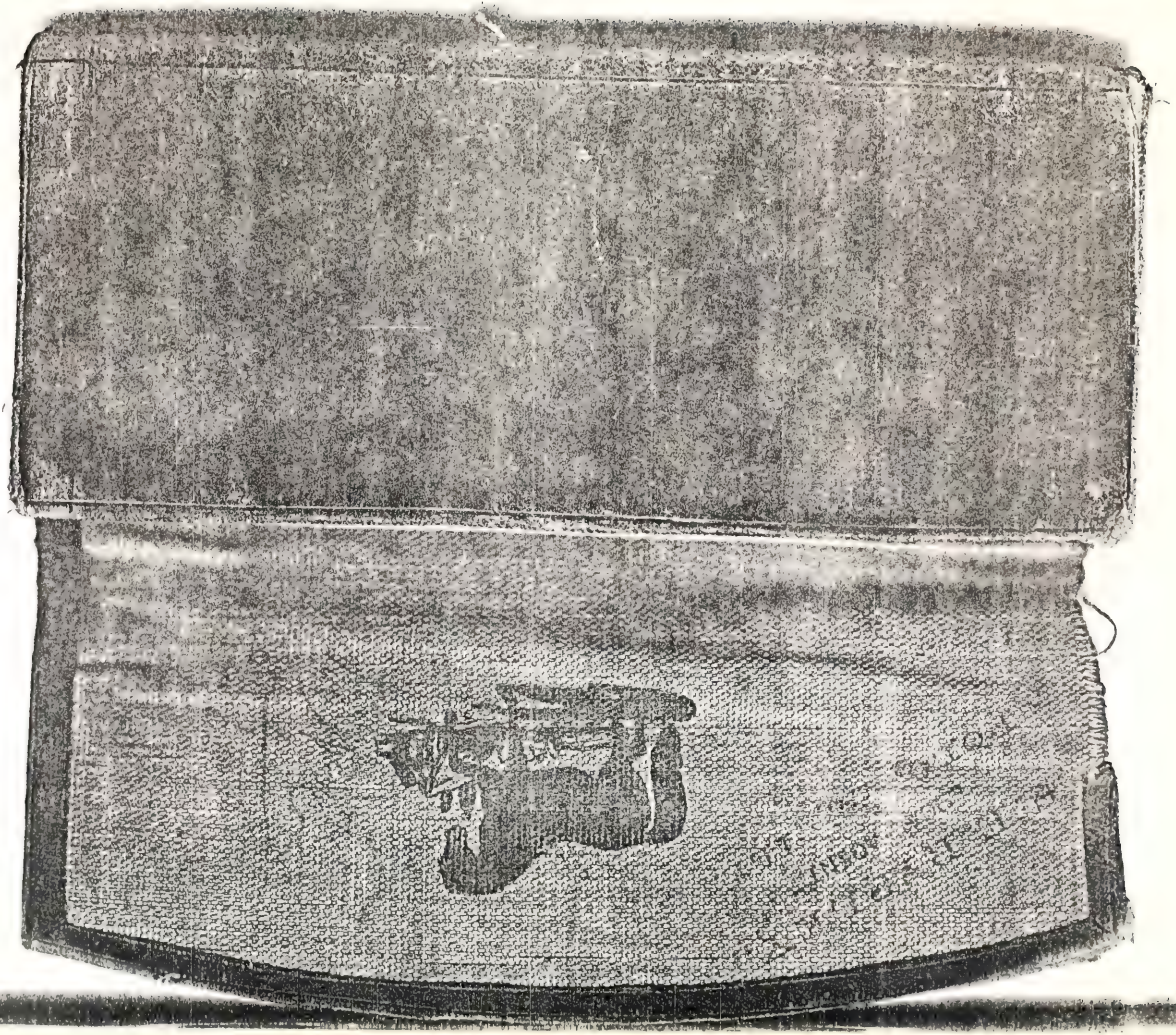

1310 So St Coming Calif Dec 16-30

Dear Thelma + Everett Family

ou no doubt will be surprised to hear from me
t I do want to wish you all a very Merry Xmas
often think of you all + hope you are all well +
ill Enjoy this Christmas time. I got a nice
eas Greetings from Bob + Doris I've got a few
far but so few know where now but Alice
me back to Ill for me last January Bob was
re not to long ago we are invited to Geraldine
our Christmas. Alice is much better but she
a bad Cough right now + has gone to
d. If you see Margaret say Merry Xmas to
for me I dont know the address now
will say good night + I would be so glad
hear from you so now with best wishes

I will say Merry Xmas to All

Grannie - Sarber

[illegible] Sarber

Mrs. Elmira Sarber, 91, Dies In California, Local Services Pending

MILLEDGEVILLE — Mrs. Elmira Sarber, 91, died Friday morning at 1 a.m. at the home of her son-in-law and daughter the Rev. and Mrs. Charles Lindemann of Cornell, Calif.

Funeral services will be held in California on Saturday. The body will be brought to the Woodin Funeral Home in Milledgeville.

Local services will be announced later.

Elmira Sarber, daughter of Naaman and Julia Hunt Spencer, was born June 9, 1864 at Eagle Point. She moved to Milledgeville when she was six years old and had lived in Milledgeville since that time except for a few years on the farm and a short time spent in Kanses and Nebraska.

In 1882 she was married to Simon Ripley who died in 1899.

She was married to Gabriel Sarber on March 17, 1908. He died in 1941.

She was a member of the EUB Church in Polo.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Charles (Alice) Lindemann, Cornell, Calif.; Mrs. William (Ruth) Hunt, Pine River, Minn.; three stepchildren, Wesley Sarber, Milledgeville; Mrs. Naaman (Ina) Spencer, and Mrs. Howard (Gertrude) Stoner, both of Polo, thirteen grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren.

Willis Albert RIPLEY, son of Margaret Elmira SPENCER and Simeon Elijah RIPLEY. Born in Milledgeville, Carroll, Illinois July 30, 1887. (see map last page) He was originally named Willie, but he later changed it t o Willis because he thought it sounded better in business. Willis grew up and went to school in Polo, Ogle, Illinois. As a boy he raised pigeons and did well in school. His father died when he was 12 years old. He continued to live with his mother, but spent a lot of time with his grandmother, Rebecca KNAPP. After high school he attended Beloit College, Beloit, Wisconsin. (uncertain how long) On Oct. 5, 1908 Willis married his sweetheart of four years, Grace May SHORT.

(Grace May SHORT's family history and life follows.)

Grace May SHORT's Ancestors

Paternal	children
David SHORT came from England Married Sarah CAREY came from France to New York State	John Wesley Walter

Maternal	
Thomas M. BROYLES B. Aug. 31, 1823(English) M. April 2, 1856 at Bedford, Indiana Elizabeth Murry GRYGER B. Sept. 27, 1829(English)	Ella Ikes Della Thomas L. Julia Ann

Grace May SHORT's Parents

John Wesley SHORT B. 1855 Polo, Ogle, Ill. M. 1877 Julia Ann BROYLES B. 1857 Clay City, Ill. D. Nov. 4, 1888	Mary Olive B. Dec.3, 1878 D. 1972 David Edward B. Dec. 20, 1882 D. Sept. 27, 1939 William B. July 6 or 11, 1885 Grace May B. Feb. 22, 1888

Grace May SHORT
B. Feb. 22, I888
Sterling, Whiteside, Ill.
D.
M. Ist Oct. 5, I908
Willis Albert RIPLEY
B. July 30, I887
Milledgeville, Carroll, Ill.
D. Oct. 2, I9I8
Fairmont Cemetery, Polo,
Ogle, Illinois
M. 2nd Sept. 23, I92I
Leonard Morley
B. Feb. 3, I898
D. April I4, I957

children

Geraldine Virginia Ripley
B. June 29, I909
Wilma Mae Ripley
B. June 20, I9I0
Robert Leon Ripley
B. Jan. 26, I9I2
Margaret Alice Ripley
B. June I9, I9I5
Alberta Evideine Ripley
B. March 3I, I9I7
D. March 24, I9I8
Donald Eugene Ripley
B. Feb. 23, I920
Lorna May Morley
B. March 2, I922
Bernice Olive Morley
B. March I8, I923
Bethel Lorraine Morley
B. Nov. 26, I925
Max Merritt Morley
B. Feb. 27, I927
Leonard Dale Morley
B. March 20, I929

Grace May SHORT, daughter of Julia Ann BLOYLES and John Wesley SHORT, was born in Sterling, Whiteside, Illinois (see map last page) Feb. 22, 1888. Julia died nine months after Grace's birth of acute tuberculosis. She had arranged for her half-sister, Sarah Ann Geyger, and her husband, Jacob Hart, to take baby Grace after her death. Sarah could not take Grace until after the birth of her youngest child, Nellie. When Grace was 21 months old she was taken in by the Hart family. Her sister and two brothers stayed with her father.

Grace had a happy childhood with the Harts: Mother Sarah, Father Jacob, and their children John, Arthur, Mary, and Nellie. She was always taught as one of their own, possibly better. It was a quiet life there on the farm four and a half miles southwest of Milledgeville, Carroll, Illinois. (see map last page) She filled her days following the men folks around the farm. Once, after throwing a corn cob at a horse it kicked her in the face. A doctor came out to the house and placed her head in his lap to sew the wound.

Grace loved to read and would climb apple trees for privacy while reading her books, leaving Nellie (foster sister) down below. Grace always seemed to get what she wanted as the Harts had plenty of money. They got their first telephone when she was five or six years old and made yearly trips to the State Fair.

In grade school she attended a one room school house. When she was 13 yrs. old the Harts retired to Milledgeville. During high school a choice of German or Latin were required. She received four years of study in the German language. Grace and her classmates had social parties where they played games and had a

social time for recreation. She graduated in 1907. Her uncle, Tom BROYLES, paid her way to Clay City, Ill. to see her grandfather, Tom BROYLES, for the first time as a graduation present. In March of 1976 at the age of 88 she referred to her education, "Could have had more education, but thought I knew enough. Oh!My!"

On Oct. 5, 1908 after going with Willis Albert KNAPP for four years, they became married in Milledgeville, Carroll, Illinois. She was 20 and a United Pretarian; he was 21 and a Methodist. Grace's uncle, Thomas L. Broyles, and her foster sister, Nellie Hart, were witnesses to the marriage.

Right after their marriage they traveled to Chicago, Ill. where Willis went to embalming school from Oct., 1908 to April, 1909. His grandmother, Rebecca KNAPP, paid the tuition. They then went to Bartlesville, Oklahoma. They witnessed ten oil wells on fire at once and there first child, Geraldine Virginia, was born June 29, 1909. After staying in Oklahoma for about a year they returned to Milledgeville, Ill. where their second child, Wilma Mae, was born June 20, 1910. Next they moved to Streator, Ill. (see map last page) where Willis worked at an establishment doing undertaking, selling pictures, and making frames. On Jan. 26, 1912 their third child, Robert Leon, was born in Streator. Grace came home to Milledgeville for the birth of their fourth child, Margaret Alice, June 19, 1915 and then returned to Streator. Their fifth child, Alberta Evideine, was born March 31, 1917.

Between 1912 and 1918 firetrucks were hauled by horses and the streetcar was electric. The streets were brick and they saw their first electric automobile in 1912. Airplanes were new to them in 1918 and it was a grand experience to go out and watch them.

For recreation Willis and Grace went to card parties and dances. At home they and their young family would gather around the piano and sing as Grace played. Grace and Willis became exuberant about their garden; Willis had dreams of being a farmer.

One of Willis's jobs was to discipline the children. If they were naughty in the morning Grace would tell him when he came home for lunch and he would give them a spanking. He would line them up: Geraldine, Wilma, and Bob and give them a choice of razor strap, yard stick, or hand. Needless to say, they chose the hand, each would then take their turn. Bob ran off so much they had to tie him to a post so he couldn't get past the porch. People would go by and say how mean his parents were.

Before 1915 Grace suffered severe migraine headaches and Willis would help in caring for the children, giving baths and the like. They also had hired help to do laundry and housecleaning. Later Willis would suffer from ulcers and was put on a raw egg and milk diet. He was supposed to go to the hospital for surgery with the ulcers, but when they came for him he refused to go. Willis was sanitary about everything. About once a month he gave the children a physical examination; checking their hair, eyes, ears, and teeth.

Willis began speaking in front of groups and to practice pronunciation he read a huge book of Washington's life.

Before their daughter, Margaret, was a year old she had kidney trouble. In 1916 Bob and Margaret had polio: Bob was four years old and Margaret was one year old. A sign was put on the house that quarantined them for a long time, since they weren't exactly sure when they were well. They didn't know how to treat

polio then and they were trying different things around the State.

On March 24, 1918 one year old Alberta Evideine died of acute pneumonia.

Military troops came to Streator from the Great Lakes to entertain for Labor Day. This event was to completely change the lives of this young family and the lives of those to come. For they brought the flu with them and Streator became included in the great flu epidemic of 1918. People were fainting and dying in the streets.

On Oct. 2, 1918 Willis Albert PIPLEY died of the flu and pneumonia at the age of 31 years. He was buried on his and Grace's 10th wedding anniversary. This was the end of the happiest 10 years of her life. She came home from the funeral sick and disoriented. Her and Her son, Bob, were put in the hospital with the flu and pneumonia. A Seven-Day Adventist nurse took care of the other children at home. Bob was in the hospital about two weeks and Grace three weeks. Grace said of that flu in Feb., 1976,"I guess we were lucky, in some families both parents died leaving the children all alone, in others, whole families were wiped out."

Grace as a child was totally dependent on her foster parents; then as a wife dependent on her husband. She was now left with a young family and about 1,000 dollars. Upon her return from the hospital she immediately moved her family to Sarah Hart's (foster mother) home in Milledgeville. She stayed there from Nov., 1918 to March, 1919. After all Sarah had done for her she felt she had to be in a home of her own. She then took her family and moved into a home in Milledgeville owned by Mary Hart (foster sister) and paid $12 a month rent. She stayed there from March to August

of 1919. While there she took in five boarders who were working on a sewage plant in Killedgeville. She no sooner finished cooking and washing dishes from one meal and it was time for another. She did this for about five months.

In Aug. of 1919 she moved to another home in Killedgeville owned by Sarah Hart. Sarah wanted her to stay there for nothing, but Grace insisted on paying $10 a month. They stayed in this home from 1919 to 1921. While there she did ten washings and three ironings a week to support her family. She did these washings with a gas engine machine that had two tubs and one wringer, it was later converted to electric motor. As much as she hated cooking, washing dishes, laundry, and ironing she felt extremely proud of being able to support her family on her own.

On Sept. 23, 1921 Grace married Leonard Morley and immediately moved the family to Sterling, Whiteside, Illinois. They rented a house on 14th Ave., but instead of electricity it had gas lights. Leonard sold the electric motor from the washing machine and bought shoes for the children. When the great depression of the 1930's hit it didn't seem to mean a great change for them since they had already hit rock bottom financially. It was an uphill struggle to support their growing family from 1921 to 1942. Grace sewed clothes for the family and would make new clothes out of old ones. She did receive some money from the Hart estate and some from a Knapp estate in California. Eventually the piano had to be sold.

Grace and Leonard were divorced in 1942. Grace moved to Rockford, Winnebago, Illinois and lived with her daughter, Margaret, in a trailer on Brook Road. She began working at National

Lock and sometimes did housework for a living. Then came a series of moves in and around Rockford and back and forth between Rockford and Sterling. She moved to Colonial Courts in Rock Falls, Whiteside, Illinois (see map last page) in the late 1950's. After staying there for many years she moved to a high-rise at 800 Civic Plaza, Rock Falls, Ill. where she now resides. Living there with other senior citizens they have dances for recreation. She enjoys her children, always wishing she could have done more for them. She has 10 children, 32 grandchildren, 50 great grandchildren, and 7 great great grandchildren living at the present time.

She has witnessed a good portion of this nation's growth. From the horse and buggy to automobile, to airplanes to astronauts walking on the moon; changing roles for men and women, industry, and wars. Now at 88 years of age she gives a refreshing air of wisdom and humor.

The following questions were asked of her in March, 1976. Her age at the time of the event will be after the questions.

Q. Do you remember any talk about the Spanish-American War?
1898 (10 years old)
A. Yes I remember about the Spanish-American War. In just these incidents: I remember the ship Maine being sunk and that Admiral Dewey took an American fleet out and destroyed Spanish fleet. I remember Teddy Roosevelt at this time being a rough rider.

Q. What do you remember and what did you think about World War I?
War started overseas in 1914, U. S. entered 1917. (26-29 yrs. old)
A. Everyone was all up in arms and excited. We were rationed with so much: sugar, 1 lb. a month for each onefamily, So much of rice flour, corn meal, graham flour, and whole wheat flour. Our coal was rationed too.

Q. What did Willis think about World War I?
A. Willis was quite patriotic. He volunteered, but was turned down because of a physical defect. He followed the movements every day. War ended Nov. II, 1918; Willis died the 2nd of Oct. 1918.

Q. What were your thoughts on Women's Suffrage? Passed 1919 (age 31)
A. I don't remember as I gave Woman Suffrage much thought. I was at that time to busy with children.

Q. When was the first time you voted and who did you vote for?
A. My first vote was cast for Woodrow Wilson in 1916. (age 28) Then my baby, Alberta, and my husband both died in 1918. In 1904 Teddy Roosevelt came campaign parading through the streets with torches of fire. (age 16)

Q. What were you doing and what did you think when Pearl Harbor was bombed? Dec. 7, 1941 (age 57)
A. I was alone now struggling to support my family. Very much excited at the beginning of World War II.

Following two pages:

Grace May Short's birth certificate

Grace Short and Willis Ripley marriage license

Certificate of Birth

#5639

STATE OF ILLINOIS }
County of Whiteside, } ss

I, Joseph Mann, County Clerk of Whiteside County, Illinois, do hereby certify that

Grace May Short of the female sex
(Male or Female)

was born on Feb. 22d, 1888 at Sterling
(Date of Birth) (City or Village)

in the County of Whiteside and State of Illinois, all of which appears from the records and files in my office. Filed March 31, 1888, E. W. Payne, County Clerk

GIVEN under my hand and seal, this 22nd day of May, 19 43.

Joseph Mann
COUNTY CLERK

(Void if County Seal is not impressed hereon)

By Dorothy Mitchell
DEPUTY

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

CARROLL COUNTY

To any Person legally authorized to solemnize Marriage

MARRIAGE MAY BE CELEBRATED

Between Mr. Willis A Ripley of Oregon
in the County of Ogle and State of Illinois
of the age of Twenty One (21) years and
Miss Grace M. Short of Milledgeville
in the County of Carroll and State of Illinois
of the age of Twenty (20) years

Witness A. B. Adams, County Clerk
and the seal of said County at his Office in Mt. Carroll in said County
this 5th day of October 1908

A B Adams County Clerk

[illegible]

[illegible] Illinois } ss
CARROLL COUNTY. }

I Marcus A [illegible]
a [illegible] of the [illegible] hereby
certify that Mr. [illegible] and
Miss [illegible] were united in Marriage by me at
[illegible] in the County of Carroll
and State of Illinois on the 5th day of October 1908

Marcus A [illegible]

No. [illegible]

MARRIAGE

LICENSE.

Mr. Willis A. Ripley

WITH

M. Grace V. Short

Issued October 5, 190[illegible]

Married October 5, 190[illegible]

Filed October 22, 190[illegible]

[illegible]

CLERK.

Registered Nov. 2 190[illegible]

On Page of Marriage Register.

State Board of Health Register,

Page

1. Full Name of Groom Willis A. Ripley.
2. Place of Residence Polo, Ill.
3. Occupation Clerk
4. Age next Birthday 22 Yrs., Color White Race Caucasian
5. Place of Birth [illegible]
6. Father's Name [illegible]
7. Mother's Maiden Name [illegible]
8. Number of Groom's Marriage 1st
9. Full Name of Bride Grace M. [illegible]

   Maiden Name, if a Widow

10. Place of Residence [illegible]
11. Age next Birthday 21 Yrs., Color White Race Caucasian
12. Place of Birth [illegible]
13. Father's Name John [illegible]
14. Mother's Maiden Name [illegible]
15. Number of Bride's Marriage 1st
16. Married at [illegible] in the County of [illegible] and State of [illegible] [illegible] day of [illegible]
17. Witnesses to Marriage [illegible]

[illegible]

We hereby certify that [illegible] to the best of our knowledge [illegible]

[illegible]

I hereby certify that [illegible] Marriage solemnized by me

[illegible]

Dated at [illegible]

day of [illegible]

Wilma Mae RIPLEY
B. June 20, 1910
D.
M. 1st June, 21, 1928
Francis Clapper
B. April 9, 1909
D.
M. 2nd July 26, 1943
Evert Axel ANDERSON
B. April 9, 1910
D.

children

Janice June Clapper
B. Nov. 3, 1931
Donna Maxine Clapper
B. June 3, 1934
Stanley Gene Clapper
B. March 26, 1936
D. Jan. 11, 1937
Sharon Lynn Clapper
B. July 7, 1938
Leslie Ross Clapper
B. June 3, 1941
Victoria Grace Anderson
B. Oct. 12, 1945

Wilma Mae PIPLEY, daughter of Willis Albert PIPLEY and Grace Mae SHORT, was born June 20, 1910 in Milledgeville, Carroll, Ill. Shortly after her birth the family moved to Streator, Illinois. (see map last page) She lived on Court Street about two blocks from the streetcar track. Her family later moved to a larger house in Streator to accommodate the growing family.

She grew and played childhood games, most often with her sister, Geraldine, and brother, Bob, until the death of her father in the flu epidemic of 1918. Her and her family moved to Milledgeville, Carroll, Illinois about a month after her father's death. Because of her father's death and the move Wilma was put into second grade instead of third. This bothered her, but she began catching on quickly.

While staying at her foster grandmother's home in Milledgeville from Nov., 1918 to March, 1919 her and her sisters and brother filled their days playing records on the phonograph in the parlor, singing songs on a player piano, and roller skating.

Moving to Sterling, Whiteside, Illinois (see map last page) in 1921 after her mother (Grace Short) remarried Wilma started at Lincoln School and then went to Central Jr. High School for 7th and 8th grade. She was at the top of her class out of 75 students. Having such good grades made up for not having any money and being a year older than the other children.

Her mother was busy with babies, but Wilma was never refused anything she might want to do and she wasn't expected to wash diapers. When she needed clothes for school functions her mother made them. Wilma became angry when a new brother or sister was due. Her mother would let her name the babies in an attempt to

console her. Wilma named these sisters and brothers: Bernice, Bethel Lorraine, Max Merritt, and Dale.

During adolescence (1922-1927) Wilma was very athletic. She played forward on the basketball teams and overcame her fear of water and learned to swim in a bayou near her home. She loved to roller skate and would try to go every weekend.

At the age of 16 yrs. (1926) Wilma felt she needed money and got a job at a canning factory. She got the job just before she was to start 11th grade; she quit school. While working at the canning factory she helped her brother, Bob, and her sister, Margaret, financially: buying shoes and books for school.

At the age of 17 Wilma went to Brown's Business College in Sterling. She completed courses in bookkeeping, typing, and business letter writing. While at business college she moved into her own room because she didn't get along with Leonard. (step-father) She was waiting on tables in a hotel from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to pay for her room, business college, and other expenses. While walking from the hotel to her room she had to pass a dress shop and began spending money on clothes and hats. Leonard Morley (step-father) came to her room asking her to come home and told her Grace (mother) wasn't happy with her away. She went back home, but occasionally moved back and forth when she had a fight with Leonard.

On June 20, 1928 (her 18th birthday) when Grace (mother) came to her room, Wilma told her, "I'm going to get married tomorrow."

Grace was shocked, "Tomorrow! Who to! Can't you wait a little while? We'll buy you a dress."

Wilma replied, "No. I'll wear one I've got."

Wilma married Francis Clapper on June 2I, I928. After their marriage they moved in with William and Mary Clapper, Francis's parents, in Rock Falls, Illinois. They started buying furniture and lived in one room of the house. In I929 they moved into their own apartment.

At the age of I9yrs. Wilma became a Seven-Day Adventist. She drifted from the church in I94I, but went back to it and was baptized again in October, I968.

One year after Wilma and Francis were married the stock market crashed. They didn't feel the effects immediately, but it later took its toll. They later began building a home on property next to Mary and William Clapper, but they didn't make it any farther than one room. They lived in that one room.

They went to Florence Popejoy's (Francis's uncle's wife) home for the birth of their first child. With Florence's help, Janice June was born Nov. 3, I93I. Florence Popejoy later helped with the birth of the rest of their children. After Janice's birth Wilma was hemorrhaging. She was not moved or cleaned all night: by doctor's orders. She was kept in bed for I0 days and became weaker instead of stronger.

By I93I the depression had taken hold. Francis was getting some money selling tires and rewinding generators. For eight months in I932 Wilma made boxes at Lawrence's Machine Shop four days a week for I5¢ an hour.

During the depression Wilma canned food from a large garden she had planted. She canned green beans, applesauce, and potatoes to feed her family. These canned goods also helped feed neighbors and both her and Francis's parents and their families. Bread was

selling for 5¢ a loaf, but that was too expensive. Wilma got $1.50 a week from welfare and used it to buy flour, sugar, yeast, and oil to bake her own bread. The meat market gave liver and soup, made from scraps and vegetable, away for free.

On June 3, 1934 their second child, Donna Maxine, was born. Their third child, Stanley Gene, was born March 26, 1936.

In 1936 (age 26 yrs.) Wilma started doing piece work at a garment factory and would go home at noon and nurse her baby, Stanley. She was stitching the fly onto one pant leg. The employers wanted her to start stitching the fly on both pant legs for the same amount of pay. This meant handling twice as many for the same pay. She quit.

When Franklin D. Roosevelt fook office the federal government began giving away material for home sewing and also gave surplus food. In 1937 Francis began driving a truck for the WPA for$35 a week.

Their baby, Stanley, hadn't been a healthy baby. He had breathing problems and wasn't growing well. During a spell of troubled breathing Wilma took him to the doctor, but the doctor didn't know what it was. He said it wasn't a cold. Stanley died that night, Jan. 11, 1937. Wilma had wanted an autopsy, but her mother-in-law didn't. An autopsy wasn't made and Wilma was never to know what caused his death.

Their fourth child, Sharon Lynn, was born July 7, 1939 and their fifth child, Lesley Ross, was born June 3, 1941. They came to Rockford, Winnebago, Illinois on Aug. 30, 1941 for work. Wilma filed for divorce Oct. 1, 1942; it became final in May, 1943.

In 1943 Wilma was working at National Lock running a drill

press, grinding drills and as time keep for the drills.

Wilma Mae Ripley married Evert Axel ANDERSON on July 26, 1943 in Rockford, Winnebago, Illinois. They were both in the midst of custody battles for their children and had hopes of making a home for them. They moved into a trailer and started getting some of the children. Later in 1943 they moved into a larger trailer to accommodate their growing family.

In March of 1944 they moved into a two bedroom apartment in the Victory Homes. The Victory Homes was a low-cost housing development off of Harrison Avenue on Rockford's southeast side. It had two streets, Senate and Congress Dr., and consisted of one story buildings housing two apartments each. The buildings were in rows up and down the street and were situated in half squares on each side of the street. Each half square had four buildings surrounding a court. Wilma quit work in March of 1944 because rent in the Victory Homes was cheaper if the wife didn't have outside employment. The rent was $49 a month.

By 1945 Wilma and Evert had six of their ten children: James Anderson, Lorraine Anderson, Ronald Anderson, Janice Clapper, Donna Clapper, and Sharon Clapper.

Wilma and Evert had their only child together, Victoria Grace, on Oct. 12, 1945. The only child born to Wilma in a hospital.

Following four pages:

Wilma Mae RIPLEY - Birth Certificate
Wilma RIPLEY - Evert ANDERSON - Marriage Certificate
Wilma RIPLEY - Evert ANDERSON - Marriage Certificate
Invitation SPENCER-BENHAM Reunion-Spencer Coat-of-Arms letterhead

(Victoria Grace ANDERSON's life follows)

Certificate of Birth

STATE OF ILLINOIS, }
County of Carroll. } ss.

I, W. R. Watson, County Clerk, in and for said County, in the state aforesaid, do hereby certify that Wilma Mae Ripley of the Female sex
(Male or Female)

was born on June 20, 1910 at Milledgeville
(Date of Birth)

in the County of Carroll and State of Illinois, all of which appears from the records and files in my office. Certificate filed August 11th, 1910.

GIVEN under my hand and seal, this 20th day of August 1942

W R Watson
COUNTY CLERK.

Be ye kind one to another, tender hearted, forgiving one another. Eph. 4.32.

Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest all the days. Eccl. 9.9. She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness. Prov. 31.26.

Therefore love is the fulfilling of the law. Rom. 13.10.

This Certifies that

EVERT AXEL ANDERSON

of Rockford, Illinois

and

WILMA MAE CLAPPER

of Rockford, Illinois

were by me united in

Holy Matrimony

at Rockford, Illinois

According to the Ordinance of God and the laws of Illinois on the 26th day of July in the year of Our Lord 1943

Rev. Melvin A. Smith

Witnesses

H. E. McCann

Almeda Howell

STATE OF ILLINOIS

Marriage Certificate

COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO

This Certifies

That Mr. Evert Axel Anderson of Rockford in the State of Illinois

and Mrs. Wilma Mae Clapper of Rockford in the State of Illinois

were at Rockford in Winnebago County by me joined together in

Holy Matrimony

on the twenty-sixth day of July in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Three.

In Presence of

W. E. McCann

Almeda Howell

Rev. Melvin C. Smith

Eldon Spencer

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Illinois

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June 9, 1952

Victoria Grace ANDERSON
B. Oct. I2, I945
D.
M. May 9, I964
Richard Lee ASHTON
B. Nov. 2, I943
D.

children
Rena Lynn
B. July 6, I966
Rinelle Leigh
B. July 24, I969

I, Victoria Grace ANDERSON, daughter of Evert Axel ANDERSON and Wilma Mae FINLEY, was born Oct.12, 1945 in Rockford, Winnebago, Illinois. My parents brought me home to a two bedroom apartment in the Victory Homes, 80 Congress Dr. I have 10 half-brothers and sisters from my parents first marriages. Six were living in the house in 1945. I slept in a crib in the living room. My parents slept on a sofa bed in the living room. My brothers, James and Ronald, slept in one bedroom and my sisters: Janice, Donna, Sharon, and Lorraine, slept in the other bedroom. Shortly after my birth James left and the sleeping arrangements changed. My parents and I in one bedroom, my sisters in the other, and Ronald in the living room. And so it went as brothers and sisters came and went. Sleeping arrangements changed depending on who and how many were there. I slept in a crib until I was 7 yrs. old and then moved in with my sisters.

All the families in the Victory Homes were pretty much in the same boat financially: low income. I had plenty of neiborhood children to play with. We played in a field behind the Homes or at the Victory Homes school playground or in the courts in front of our houses. The school was in the center of the Victory Homes. I attended first and second grade there and went to Nashold School for third. All the children in the Victory Homes were white. Nobody seemed bery different from anybody else. One girl went to a Catholic school and the children teased and called her names relentlessly. The Victory Homes were a community within a community. I often went to a nearby grocery store for goodies and a movie was shown in the school building once a week.

Throughout my childhood I made many trips to Sterling, Ill. and nearby farms to see relatives. I explored the farms and wandered the countrysides with my cousins. We often picked rasberries.

We ate them as we picked and took buckets full back to the house and ate them with milk and sugar.

My mother, Wilma Firley, took an outside job at a furniture factory when I was 5yrs. old. She thought she would go to work long evough to buy a sewing machine, typewriter, and dishes. Our standard of living rose with the two incomes and the job became permanent. She worked at Rockford Peerless Furniture Co. until her retirement in 1975.

The Victory Homes went co-op. That meant my parents could buy the apartment. They had to put $50 down to hold it, but if they bought it they would have to pay maitenance and insurance forever. My mother saved $1,000 between 1953 and 1954 to buy a new house. In July 1954 my parents, my brother (Ronald), my sister (Sharon), and I moved to 419 Pennsylvania Ave., Loves Park, Winnebago, Illinois (see map last page). This move was considered a step upward. It was a brand new 2 bedroom home. They bought the house for $9,200. They paid $65 a month, not including taxes and insurance. We also got our first television and telephone in 1954. I was 8 yrs. old.

I began 4th grade at Loves Park Grade School and graduated from Harlem High School in 1963. My brother and sister remained with us for one year and then moved back to Rockford. Ronald moved in with his brother, James, and Sharon moved in with her sister, Donna. Loves Park was much different than the Victory Homes. The children in Loves Park had many different backgrounds and financial situations. They seemed to group according to family incomes.

During grade school I played with neighborhood children. We played ball, croquet, went to movies, and went swimming in the Rock River. In Junior High and High School I made friends from a larger area of Loves Park. We went to movies, dances, and parties.

Since I was the only child still home and my parents financial situation had improved, I got all the material things I wanted. When I was fourteen I waited on tables for a few weeks at a restaurant on Kishwaukee St. in Rockford. When the customers began teaching me how to count change and nobody was drinking the malts I made, I decided the restaurant business wasn't for me. I quit. When I was 15 I taught children beginning accordion lessons in a studio where I had been taking lessons. I took lessons for 2 years. I was relieved of teaching after about a month. The parents of the children complained to my teacher about my teaching methods. I worked in the cotton candy stand at Kiddie Land the summer before my 16th birthday. I quit before the season was over because it interfered with my social life. I worked part-time at Rockford Dry Goods in Loves Park when I was 16 and 17. I was a sales clerk, Easter Bunny, and bookkeeper. All the money I made went for clothes. I quit that job when I graduated from high school. I wanted to work in an office and make more money.

I began job hunting and immediately felt the effects of my lazy years in high school. The only things I was concerned with in high school were my social life and graduating with as little effort as possible. I got a job at a loan company doing general office work. I didn't like the loan co. and they didn't like me. The job lasted 3 weeks. I got a job in the office at Sears in Dept., 1963. I took home $40 a week. I got a nickel raise every six months, but everytime it came I got another benefit like insurance and never saw the money. When I first started the job I did filing, later I advanced to bookkeeper for the revolving charge accounts. The first things I bought were a car and contact lenses. The car was a 1953 Chevrolet four door. I borrowed $350 from my parents to pay for the

car and paid them back in weekly installments.

On May 9, 1964 I married Richard Lee Ashton in Loves Park, Winnebago, Illinois at St. Bridgett's Catholic Church. We had been going together four years. As a child I had gone to church occasionally at the Free Evangelical Church in Rockford and Loves Park. I went through all the classes and was baptized a Catholic before we were married. My parents were against my becoming a Catholic. My husband and I later became discontented with the Church and left it in 1970. We are now members at Living Christ Lutheran Church on N. Alpine Rd. in Loves Park.

When we were first married my husband had just started a 4 yr. sheet metal apprenticeship. He was bringing home $59 a week and I was bringing home $45 a week. We had put our furniture on lay-away a year before our marriage. We moved into a two bedroom upstairs apartment on 10th Ave. in Rockford. We paid $60 a month.

I was experiencing a growing hatred for office work and I thought I was worth more money. I finally got up enough nerve to ask for a raise. The boss didn't seem to think I should get more than $45 a week after 2 years. I quit and got 1½ weeks vacation pay and $80 from profit sharing. I became a full time housewife.

Our first child, Dena Lynn, was born July 6, 1966 and our second child, Tinelle Leigh, was born July 24, 1969.

In Jan. 1967 we moved into a house we had rented at 7525 Cadet Rd. in North Park. I hated the house. We took every cent we had and bought a three bedroom home at 7604 Suffield Rd. in Loves Park. We moved into the house Sept., 1967 and are residing there now. We bought the house for $19,200. We put $400 down in cash and painted and raked. We took a 30 year mortgage at 6½ per cent interest for 18,500.

When we were first married we were unable to take a honeymoon because the sheet metal union went on strike a week before our wedding. We had been promising ourselves one every year, but something always came up and we couldn't go. In May 1972 (8 yrs. after wedding) we went to Las Vegas for a four day holiday. We flew in a 747 jet. It was the first time I had flown and the first time I had been out of the midwest. In Aug. 1972 we took an auto trip to California for 3 weeks. My children and I saw the ocean for the first time. I saw mountains for the first time on our vacation through S.Dakota, Wyoming, and Colorado in 1975.

My husband, Richard Ashton, finished his sheet metal apprenticeship in 1968. He now makes $11.10 anhour. In the fall of 1975 my youngest daughter started going to school all day. The quiet and freedom were nice at first, but I soon became lonesome. I decided to improve myself and prepare for an occupation. I started attending Rock Valley College in Jan. 1976 with elementary education as my goal. Colleg is more time consuming and more difficult than I thought it was going to be. I am going to continue with two subjects a semester until I feel more comfortable with it and until I can take more without taking too much time away from my family. I have no idea how long it will take me to get through college at this pace. While elementary education is my goal at this time, I still have an open mind. I would change my goal if I found I was better suited for something else.

My parents have retired in the same home they bought in 1954. The house is paid in full and they receive $518 a month from Social Security.

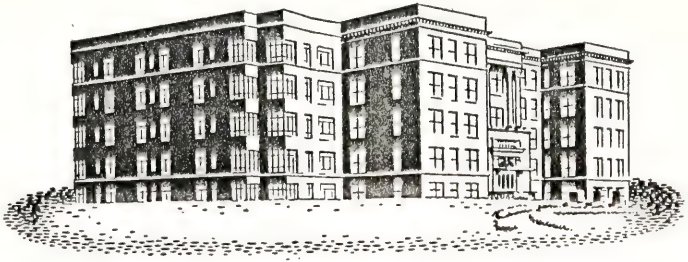
I live comfortably with my husband and two children. We consider ourselves middle income and look optimistically to the future.

Following Pages:

my birth certificate
" certificate of accomplishment-Bible School

Swedish-American Hospital

Of ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS



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HOSPITAL BIRTH CERTIFICATE

This Certifies that Victoria Grace Anderson

was born in **Swedish-American Hospital of the City of Rockford**

at 11⁰⁰ pm *on the* 12th *day of* October *A. D. 19*45

In Witness Whereof *the said Hospital has caused this Certificate to be signed by its duly authorized officer and its Corporate Seal to be hereunto affixed.*

[signature]

Superintendent

Hospital Number 9886

Attending Physician

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Certificate of Accomplishment

Presented to Miss Vicki Anderson

in recognition of faithful attendance and achievement while

ADVENTURING WITH CHRIST

in

The King's Adventureland

Junior Department of the

Lawes Park Free Church Church

Lawes Park CITY Illinois STATE

August 24, 1956 DATE Mrs Claudia McMillen TEACHER

Thomas E. McMillen SUPERINTENDENT-DIRECTOR Elmer Sandberg PASTOR

"For God is my King of old, working salvation in the midst of the earth."
Psalm 74:12

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1. Your name [illegible]
   Date of form [illegible]

2. Your college: Rock Valley College
   Rockford, Illinois

3. Check the earliest date for which you have been able to say things about your family in your paper.

   ___ Before 1750 ___ 1750-1800 X 1800-1850
   ___ 1850-1900 ___ 1900 or later

4. Please check all regions of the United States in which members of your family whom you have discussed in your paper have lived.

   ✓ New England (Mass., Conn., R.I.) ✓ Middle Atlantic (N.Y., Penna., N.J., Va.)
   ___ South Atlantic (Ga., Fla., N.C., S.C.) ___ East South Central (La., Miss., Ala., Tenn, Ky.
   ✓ West South Central (Ark., N.M., Tex., Ok.) ___ East North Central (Mich., Ohio, Ind.)
   ___ Pacific (Cal., Wash) ___ (Hawaii, Alaska)

5. Please check all occupational categories in which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have found themselves.

   ✓ Farming ✓ Mining ✓ Shopkeeping or small business
   ✓ Transportation ___ Big Business ✓ Manufacturing
   ___ Professions ✓ Industrial labor ___ Other

6. Please check all religious groups to which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have belonged.

   ___ Roman Catholic ___ Jewish ✓ Presbyterian ✓ Methodist
   ___ Baptist ___ Episcopalian ___ Congregational ___ Lutheran
   ✓ Quaker ___ Mormon ___ Other Protestant ___ Other

7. What ethnic and social groups are discussed in your paper?

   ___ Blacks ___ Indians ___ Mexicans ___ Puerto Ricans
   ___ Jews ___ Central Europeans ___ Italians ___ Slavs
   ___ Irish ___ British ✓ Native Americans over several generations
   ___ East Asian ___ Other

8. What sources did you use in compiling your family history?

   ✓ Interviews with other family members ✓ Family Bibles ✓ Family Genealogies
   ✓ Vital Records ✓ Land Records ___ The U.S. Census
   ✓ Photographs ✓ Maps ___ Other

FAMILY DATA

A. Grandfather (your father's side)

Name [illegible] Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death [illegible]

Place of birth [illegible], Illinois Date of Birth [illegible]

Education (number of years):
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st [illegible] Dates [illegible] 1st [illegible] Dates [illegible]

2nd Farmer Dates _____ 2nd [illegible] Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion Protestant - Methodist

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. [illegible]

Place of Marriage to your grandmother [illegible], Illinois date [illegible]

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (A-1)

B. Grandmother (your father's side)

Name [illegible] Current Residence [illegible]
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth [illegible], Illinois Date of birth [illegible]

Education (number of years):
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational _____ college 0

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st [illegible] Dates [illegible] 19 1st [illegible], Illinois Dates [illegible]

2nd [illegible] Dates [illegible] 2nd _____ Dates _____

Home

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion [illegible] - Methodist

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. WSCS of Gwen Center Church

Place of marriage to your grandfather [illegible], Illinois DATE [illegible]

Note: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (A-2).

A-1 Stepgrandfather (your father's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of Birth _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college ____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marrlage to your grandmother _____ date _____

A-2 Stepgrandmother (your father's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____

Education (number of years):
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college ____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Date

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates

Religion _____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ Date _____

Grandfather (your mother's side)

Name Harry [illegible] Current Residence [illegible], Illinois
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth [illegible], Illinois Date of birth [illegible]
Education (number of years):
grade school [illegible] high school 4 vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Machine operator Dates [illegible] 1st Dixon, Illinois Dates [illegible]

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd [illegible], Illinois Dates [illegible]

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd [illegible], Illinois Dates [illegible]

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion Protestant
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Masonic Lodge member
volunteer fireman (Rockton), [illegible]
Place of marriage to your grandmother [illegible], Illinois date [illegible]
Note: If your mother was raised by a ~~step father or another relative (to age 18)~~
give that data on the back of this page (C-1)

Grandmother (your mother's side)

Name Ruth E. [illegible] Current Residence Rockton, Illinois
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth Ohio Date of birth [illegible]
Education (number of years)
grade school 8 high school 4 vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st [illegible], Illinois Dates [illegible]

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd [illegible], Illinois Dates [illegible]

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd Rockton, Illinois Dates [illegible]

Religion _____
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. "Old Stone Church", Rockton
Place of marriage to your grandfather [illegible], Illinois date [illegible]
Note: If your mother was raised by a stepmother or another relative (to age 18)
give that data on the back of this page (D-2)

C-1 Stepgrandfather (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandmother _____ date _____

D-2 Stepgrandmother (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

Religion _____
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ Date _____

CHILDREN of A & B (or A-1 or B-1) - your father's name should appear below

. Name [illegible]
Place of birth [illegible] date [illegible]
Number of years of schooling 1[illegible] Occupation [illegible]
Residence [illegible], Illinois Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children three

. Name Lale [illegible]
Place of birth [illegible], Illinois date [illegible]
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation [illegible]
Residence [illegible], Illinois Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children three

. Name [illegible]
Place of birth [illegible], Illinois date [illegible] 16, [illegible]
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Housewife
Residence [illegible], Illinois Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children

. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

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Place of birth date
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. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

CHILDREN of [illegible] and D (or (-1, D-1)-your mother's name should appear below

1. Name [illegible]
Place of birth [illegible]
Number of years of schooling [illegible] date October 4, 1923
Residence [illegible] Occupation Housekeeper
Number of children [illegible] Marital Status divorced

2. Name [illegible]
Place of birth [illegible]
Number of years of schooling [illegible] date [illegible]
Residence [illegible] Occupation factory worker
Number of children [illegible] Marital Status Married

3. Name [illegible]
Place of birth [illegible]
Number of years of schooling [illegible] date January 26, 1927
Residence [illegible] Occupation Housewife
Number of children [illegible] Marital Status Married

4. Name [illegible]
Place of birth [illegible] Wisconsin date born April 10, 1929
Number of years of schooling [illegible] Occupation Service Rep. Manpowe
Residence [illegible] Marital Status Married
Number of children [illegible]

5. Name [illegible]
Place of birth [illegible]
Number of years of schooling 16 date November 19, 1930
Residence [illegible] Occupation Pharmacist
Number of children [illegible] Marital Status Married

6. Name [illegible]
Place of birth [illegible]
Number of years of schooling [illegible] date May 1, 1934
Residence [illegible] Occupation Housewife
Number of children [illegible] Marital Status Married

7. Name
Place of birth
Number of years of schooling date
Residence Occupation
Number of children Marital Status

8. Name
Place of birth
Number of years of schooling date
Residence Occupation
Number of children Marital Status

9. Name
Place of birth
Number of years of schooling date
Residence Occupation
Number of children Marital Status

10. Name
Place of birth
Number of years of schooling date
Residence Occupation
Number of children Marital Status

Your Father

Name [illegible] Current Residence [illegible]
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth [illegible] Date of birth [illegible]
Education (number of years)
grade school [illegible] high school [illegible] vocational [illegible] college _____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Owned [illegible] route	Dates [illegible]	1st [illegible]	Dates [illegible]
2nd Farmer	Dates [illegible]	2nd [illegible]	Dates [illegible]
3rd	Dates	3rd [illegible]	Dates [illegible]
4th	Dates	4th	Dates

Religion Presbyterian

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. [illegible]
DHIa - Farm Bureau, School board, [illegible]
Place of marriage to your mother [illegible] date [illegible]
NOTE: If you were raised by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (E-2)

Your Mother

Name [illegible] Current Residence [illegible]
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth [illegible] Date of birth [illegible]
Education (number of years)
grade school 8 high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st [illegible]	Dates	1st [illegible]	Dates [illegible]
2nd [illegible]	Dates	2nd [illegible]	Dates [illegible]
3rd [illegible]	Dates	3rd [illegible]	Dates [illegible]

Religion Presbyterian
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. [illegible]
Sec. of P.T.A., [illegible]
Place of marriage to your father [illegible] date [illegible]
NOTE: If you were raised by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (F-2).

E-1 Stepfather

Name _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

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3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your mother _____ Date _____

F-2 Stepmother

Name _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

Religion _____
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your father _____ date _____

CHILDREN of E and F (or E-2, F-2) - your name should appear below

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Place of birth [illegible] Date of birth [illegible]
Number of years of schooling [illegible] Occupation [illegible]
Residence [illegible] Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children [illegible]

Name [illegible]
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Number of years of schooling [illegible] Occupation [illegible]
Residence [illegible] Marital Status [illegible]
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Number of years of schooling [illegible] Occupation [illegible]
Residence [illegible] Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children [illegible]

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Place of birth Date of birth
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Number of children

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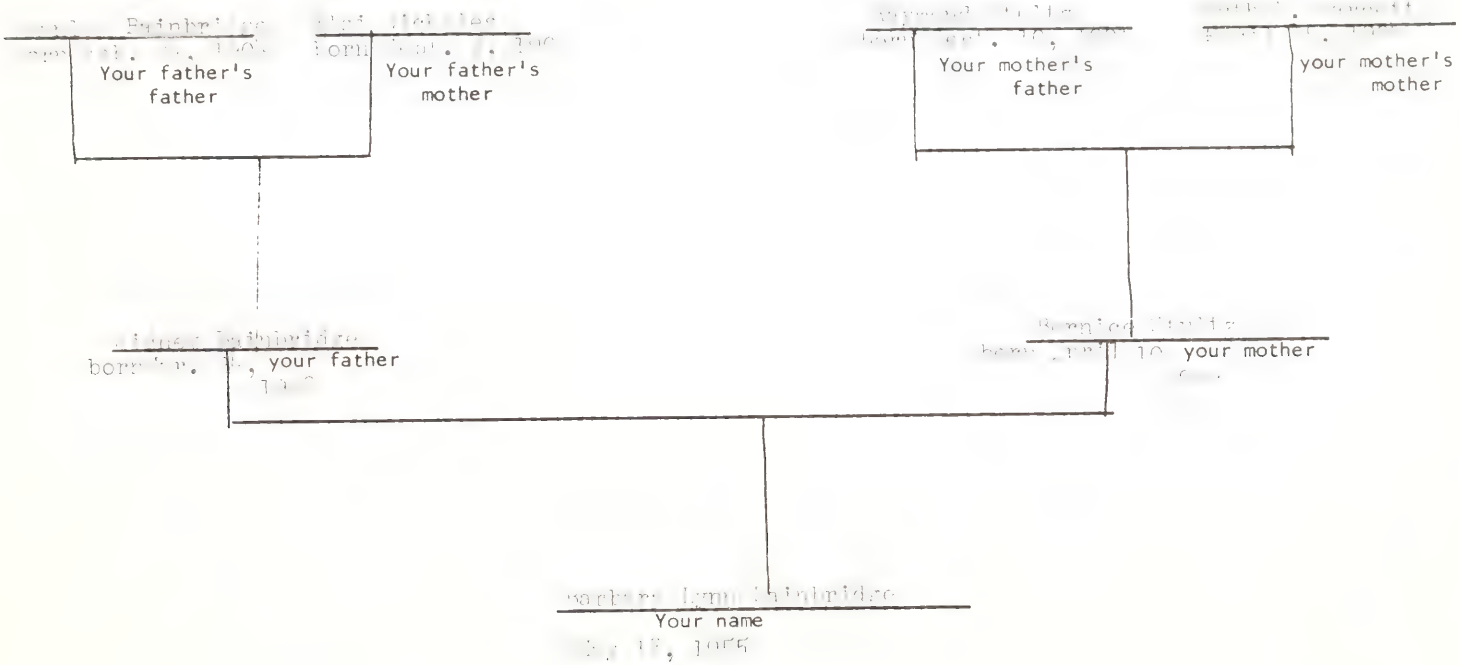
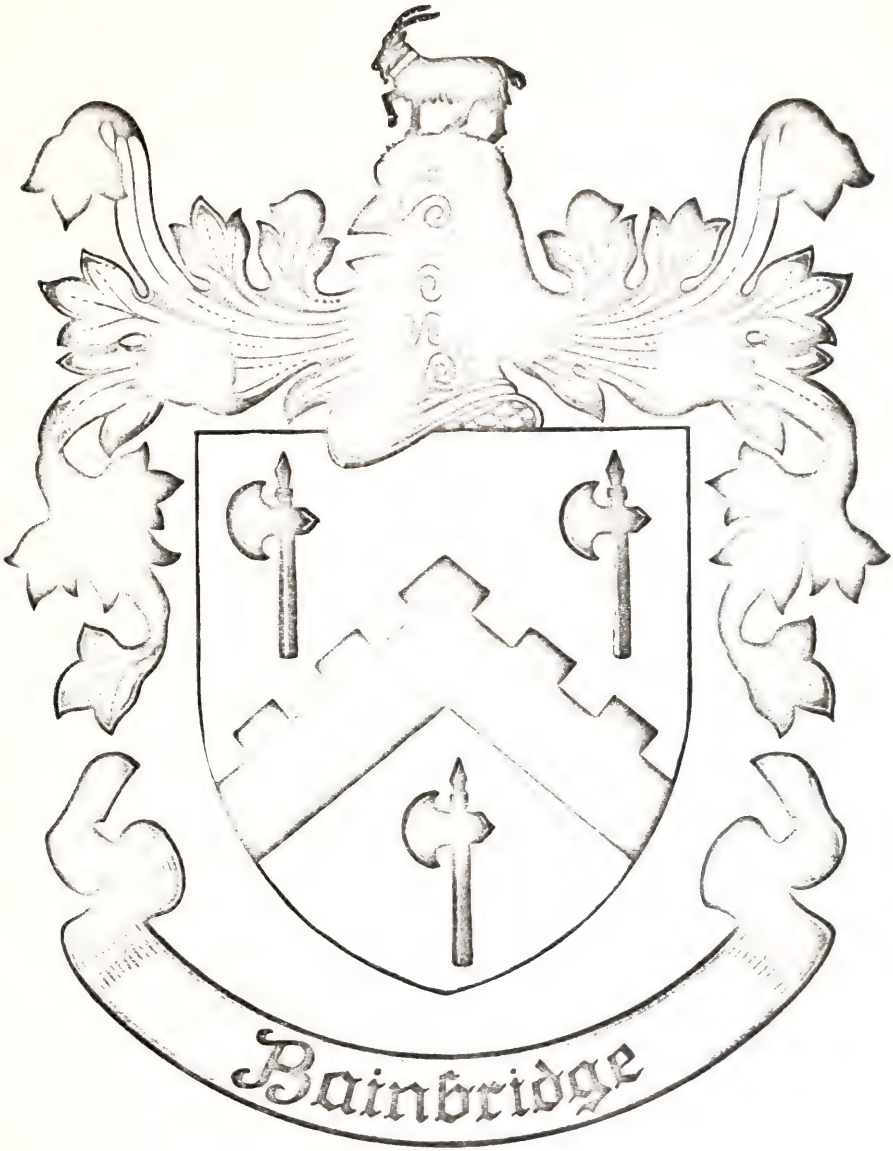
Signed Barb Bainbridge

Date May 6, 1974

IV. A SIMPLE GENEALOGICAL CHART
(for each give full name and date of birth; death)





BAINBRIDGE

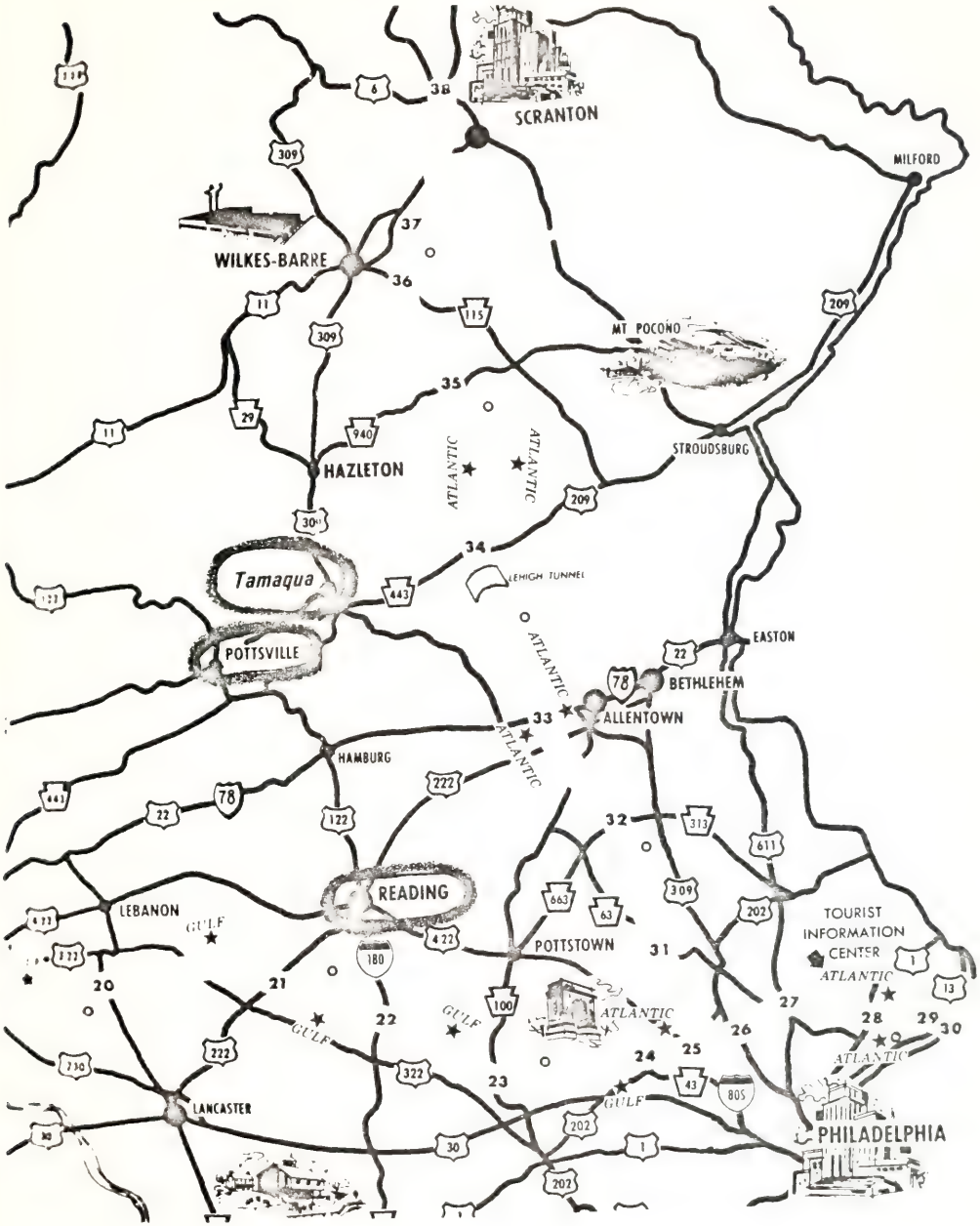
MOTTO: DUM SPIRO, SPERO – "While I breathe, I hope"
ARMS: Argent a chevron embattled between three battle-axes sable.
CREST: On a mount vert a goat sable collared argent.

Explanation:

Argent	– White or silver (Peace and Sincerity)
Chevron	– Signified protection.
Axe	– Symbol of execution of military duty.
Sable	– (Black) Denotes constancy.
Goat	– Emblem of military man who wins a victory by valor rather than policy.
Vert	– (Green) Signifies Hope, Joy, Loyalty.

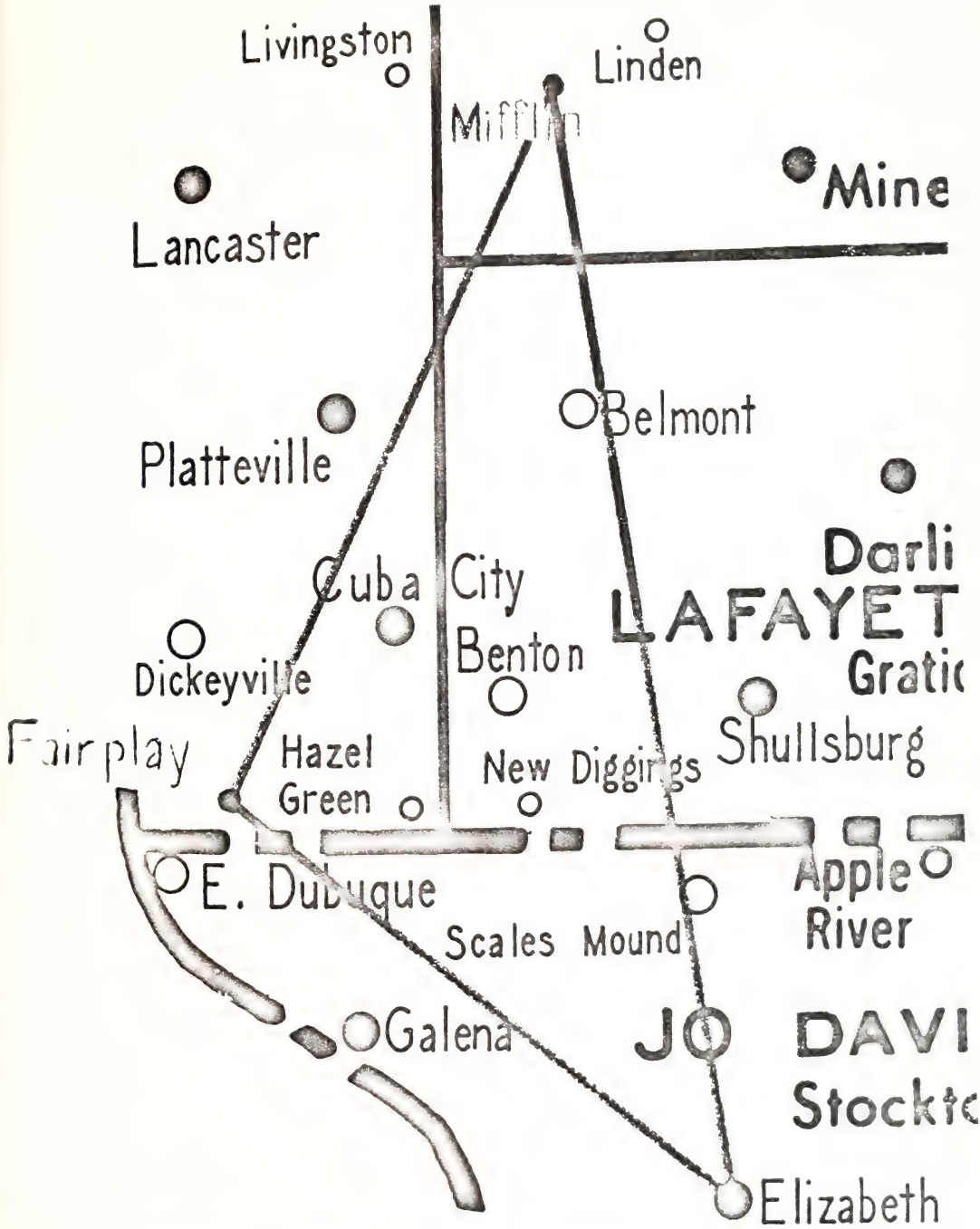
The John Bainbridge family lived in northern England, in the town of Middleton-in-Teesdale.

MAP OF EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA



although no proof has been found, it is likely that the Bainbridge immigrants landed at Philadelphia; as they seemed to first settle in Pennsylvania. Charles settled at Tamaqua, where his first son was born. William worked for awhile in Pottsville before traveling westward. Margaret stayed in Pennsylvania, in the Reading area.

MAP OF WISCONSIN AND ILLINOIS



[illegible] map shows the location of Fairplay, Mifflin, and Elizabeth [illegible] their proximity to each other. It is easy to see that in the [illegible] before automobiles, it was quite a journey to visit relatives.

1st Generation in America

CHARLES B. BAINBRIDGE* - born November 18, 1802 in
Middleton-in-Teesdale, Durham County, England
died December 14, 1886
(son: John & Peggy) Married to Ann Deighton*
born in Bough Westmoreland County, England
November 21, 1803 (tombstone)
November 5, 1807 (Family Bible)
died December 22, 1886
bur: Both in Fairplay Cemetery
Occupation: Farmer
Residence: Fairplay, Wisconsin

Charles lived in Pennsylvania when he first came to America. Whether he and Ann were married in England or in this country, we do not know. Their first son was born in Tamaqua, Pennsylvania, which is not very far from Pottsville where his brother, William, lived for awhile when he first came to America. Tamaqua is also close to Reading, where his sister, Margaret, settled and where her descendants lived.

In 1839 Charles brought his family to Fo Daviess County, Illinois, probably Vinegar Hill, since his second son was born there early in 1841. Later in 1841 they moved to Fairplay, Wisconsin, which was just across the State boundary line. It would appear that he made his living by farming, since he is listed in the 1850, 1860, and 1870 census as a farmer. The census records also tell us the correct year of Ann's birth is 1803, as found on her tombstone, rather than the date recorded in the Family Bible. No other information has been found on Charles and Ann; but is is felt that a story lies in their death dates which tell us that Ann passed away 8 days after her husband's death, very close to Christmas in 1886.

Children:

1. John Deighton Bainbridge* - born November 3, 1836
   died June 22, 1917
2. Charles William Bainbridge* - born February 13, 1841
   died March 19, 1921

Information Sources:
Harley Bainbridge
Genevieve Bainbridge
Tombstone in Fairplay Cemetery
Wisconsin Historical Society in Madison

1st Generation in America

WILLIAM BAINBRIDGE* - born August 29, 1813; Durham County, England
Newcastle or Middleton-in-Teesdale****
(son: John & Peggy) died December 26, 1896; Mifflin, Wisconsin
Married in 1842 to Mary Clayton
born July 15, 1820; Derbyshire, England
died April 20, 1881; Mifflin, Wisconsin
Occupation: Miner, Miller, and Farmer
Residence; Mifflin, Wisconsin
bur: Both im Mifflin Cemetery

William's father died when he was nine, and he left home to support himself at the age of 16. In 1832, when he was 19, he joined the great throng of people going to America. He first stopped in Pottsville, Pennsylvania, and was employed there in the mines. He came to Galena by flat boat on the Mississippi River, landing there in the spring of 1834. He remained in Galena a short time working in the mines. Following this he worked in mines at Dubuque, Iowa; East Fork and Vinegar Hill, Illinois. In 1836 he settled in New Diggings, Wis., and engaged in Mining for William Champion, a very extensive and prosperous miner. He met Mary Clayton, who had come from England in 1839; and they were married in 1842. He purchased a grist mill in 1849 which had been built by Joel Clayton in 1848. It was through the acquaintance of his wife's brother, Joel, that he first came to Mifflin, where he finally located in the spring of 1853. He engaged in the milling business which proved to be a lucrative business; and continued in it until about the year 1875 when the wheat growing industry in that locality became almost extinct. He then turned his attention to farming and mining which proved remunerative. He and two pertners bought the abandoned Mifflin Mines and made them a paying investment. He continued to hold interest in the mines up to the time of his death. He owned property in town as well as 920 acres of farmland with a fine house.

William was the last of his family. As a business man, he was successful far beyond the ordinary. He devoted his life to duty, to family, and to country. He commanded respect of all men; and was a patient, toiling man of sincere convictions and of absolute reliability. He was elected as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of his town several times. He also served as a Trustee. His religion was Primitive Methodist. In politics he was a Henry Clay whig until the organization of the Republican party, of which he advocated their principles with enthusuasm. He was an honored member of the Masonic fraternity for 33 years. He first received his degree from the Mineral Point Lodge in 1863; and when the Mifflin Lodge was organized in 1865, he was one of the original charter members. At the first election after receiving its charter in 1866, he was elected its first treasurer. He was re-elected at every succeeding election for 31 consecutive terms. There were about 100 Masons in the line of march at his funeral on Monday, December 28, 1896. His 5 sons and 1 grandson served as pallbearers. His funeral was one of the largest ever held in that neighborhood. He was a man who was well known and highly esteemed.

****Son Charles' death certificate names Newcastle, England as the birthplace of his father (William). However, there is a good possibility that this is incorrect and that he was born in Middleton-in Teesdale. His grand-daughter remembers being told that Middleton was the birthplace and also remembers receining a card from Middleton, when her uncle visited there.

Children of Mary and William Bainbridge

1. Margaret Ann Bainbridge* - born 1844; died 1913
   "Maggie" (Harker) (descendants page W-3)
2. Marry Ellen Bainbridge* - born 1846; died 1923
   "Ella" (Johns) Married to John JOHNS
   born 1845; died 1917
   Occupation : Methodist Minister
   They had no children
   Residence: Palmyra, Nebraska
   Platteville, Wisconsin
   bur: Both in Greenwood Cem., Platteville
3. Elizabeth Ann Bainbridge* - born 1849
   "Lizzie" (Jones) Married to Mr. JONES
   Residence: Cass County, Iowa
4. John W. Bainbridge* - born May 6, 1850
   died November 25, 1932
5. Charles C. Bainbridge* - born September 29, 1852
   died January 5, 1939
6. Thomas B. Bainbridge* - born September 17, 1854
   died January 24, 1929
7. George W. Bainbridge* - born February 26, 1856
   died December 9, 1932
8. William E. Bainbridge* - born 1862
   died April 17, 1909

The Mifflin Lodge Obituary on William Bainbridge states that there were 10 children, two of which died in infancy. There are no head stones on the family cemetery plot for these two infants, but they may be there in unmarked graves.

The 1860 census tells us that there was a child, Louisa, under a year. The 1970 census makes no mention of Louisa.

The 1870 census lists a Jane Read, age 5, with the William Bainbridge family, and
The 1880 census lists Eliz. Jennie Reed (a), age 16.
It would appear that Jane and Eliz. Jennie are adopted by the family.

Information sources:

Obituary by Mifflin Lodge 153 A.F. and A.M. (courtesy of Glyndon Lynde)
Wisconsin Historical Soc. (xensus records)
History of Iowa County
Greenwood Cemetery, Platteville, records
Gravestones in Mifflin Cemetery
Cedar Lawn Cemetery, Council Bluff, Iowa, records
Grant County Recorder of Deeds
Clara Smith

1st Generation in America

GEORGE BAINBRIDGE* - born January 6, 1816 (tombstone) Durham Co., England
January 6, 1818 (family record)
(son: John & Peggy) died August 18, 1877; Elizabeth, Illinois
Married in England to
Elizabeth Robinson*
died July 21, 1897; Elizabeth, Illinois
Occupation: Farmer and Stage Coach Driver
Residence: Elizabeth, Illinois
bur: Both in Elizabeth Cemetery

George and Elizabeth were married in England. Elizabeth was the daughter of Thomas Robinson and Ann Binks of Yorkshire. Her father was an Inn Keeper by trade and a Quaker by faith.

While in England, Heorge earned his living as a miner. They immigrated to America with their two young children, arriving June 14, 1840. They came to Elizabeth from Balena by ox cart and wagon, fording the Apply River at what was then known as Georgetown. They settled on 40 acres at land near Elizabeth; and when this land came into market, Heorge purchased it from the United States government. The fort**** used during the Blackhawk Was was sutuated on a hill overlooking a spring on the southeast side of his farm. He tore down the fort and used the logs to build a barn for his stock. His youngest daughter could remember finding bullet holes in some of the logs as a result of the Indian attack in 1832. George farmed his land and also operated a stage coach run between Galena and Chicago. He was a devout Methodist and very determined in his belief. Ten more children were born to this union after they came to this country, making a total of twelve children. George died suddenly, coming home ill one night from Galena. Death was caused by cholera morbus. He was 61, and at least five of the children were still at home.

Elizabeth was quick to help her neighbors in time of sickness and trouble, but kept busy at home taking care of her large family. She had more than her share of sorrow, for she lost two of her daughters in their early twenties within four years after her husband's death. Being of pioneer strength, she carried on and taught her remaining daughters to be capable homemakers. She was bedridden toward the end and was cared for livingly by her duaghter, Victoria, in the old family home. She died of dropsy as she approached her 70th birthday.

**** The Apple River Fort was used by the early settlers during the battle with the Indians on June 24, 1832. About 20 men were inside the crude frontier structure, together with a number of women and children. A small group of women worked along with the men molding bullets. The battle lasted 45 minutes, and one man was killed. He was buried on land that was later George's property. There were also numerous Indian mounds where bones and relics were found.

Information Sources:
The Bartons
Evalena Miller
Rockford Newspapers

2nd Generation in America
Children of George and Elizabeth Bainbridge

1. John Robinson Bainbridge* - born November 1836 in England
(See biography - Page G-3)

2. Nancy Bainbridge** (McCallum) - born December 16, 1838 in England
(See biography - Page _-4

3. Elizabeth Bainbridge* "Lizzie" (Eade) - born May 19, 1841
(See biography - Page G-5)

4. Thomas Bainbridge* - born August 6, 1843, Elizabeth, Ill.
died November 25, 1843 (3½months old)
bur: Elizabeth Cemetery

5. Ruth Amelia Bainbridge* (Belcher-Luke) - born February 5, 1845
(See biography - Page G-7

6. George William Bainbridge*- born March 9, 1848; Elizabeth, Ill.
died July 10, 1848 (4 months old)
bur: Elizabeth Cemetery

7. Margaret Marcella Bainbridge*- "Maggie" (Hill-Crummer) born in 1850
1st marriage - Mr. Hill
2nd marriage - Mr. Crummer
child: May Hill Residence: Iron Mountain, Michigan
Missoula, Montana

It has been difficult to find information on Maggie. She was single at the time she stood up with her sister, Nancy, when she was married in 1868. At the time of her mother's death in 1897, the obituary lists her as Margaret Hill of Iron Mountain, Michigan. As Maggie Crummer, she was a "fashionable dressmaker" according to a calling card in the keepsakes of one of the family. She and Mr. Crummer are supposed to have lived in Missoula, Montana.

8. George Sidney Bainbridge* - born August 3, 1852
(See biography - Page G-8

9. Mary Bainbridge* - born July 22, 1855; Elizabeth, Ill.
died July 17, 1878 (23 years old)
death due to tuberculosis
bur: Elizabeth Cemetery

10. Violet Victoria Bainbridge*- born November 19, 1858
(See biography - Page _-9

11. Caroline Almeda Bainbridge*- born July 1, 1860; Elizabeth, Ill.
died April 17, 1881 (Easter Sunday)
20 years-death due to tuberculosis
bur: Elizabeth Cemetery

12. Evalena Bainbridge* (Miller) - born [illegible], 1864
(See biography - Page G-10

1st Generation in America

MARGARET BAINBRIDGE* - born in England
(Birkbeck) died in Pennsylvania
Married Mr. BIRKBECK
(dau. John & Peggy) Residence: Pennsylvania

Children:
1. Victoria Birkbeck* - born around 1838
(Conrad) Married Phillip CONRAD*
(his parents were born in Germany)
Occupation: Bookkeeper
Residence: Reading, Pennsylvania

As far as I know, Margaret only had one child, Victoria.

2nd Generation in America

JOHN ROBINSON BAINBRIDGE* - born November 1836 in England
died July 27, 1897 (Family Bible)
(son: George & Eliz.) July 29, 1897 (U.S. Civil War Records)
Married December 23, 1869 to
Ann Sparks, born 1845
died March 24, 1899; Williams, Iowa
bur: Williams, Iowa
Occupation: Farmer
Residence: Fairplay and Jamestown, Wis.:
Galena, Ill.; and Silverton, Colorado

John was born in England and came to the United States with his parents when he was four years old. During the Civil War he served in Captain Burton's Company, 30th Regiment, Wisconsin Infantry. He enlisted for duty on August 21, 1862 in Mineral Point, Wisconsin; and was mustered in October 21, 1862 in Madison, Wisconsin. He served as Private and Corporal and was mustered out September 20, 1865. He applied for a disability pension September 15, 1891; and at that time he was living in Silverton, San Juan County, Colorado. Ironically he died six days after his mother kied. The cause and place of his death was unknown.

Children:

1. John Walter Bainbridge* - born February 9, 1871
died December 19, 1904

2. George William Bainbridge* - born February 17, 1873
died September 24, 1949

3. Ben Franklin Bainbridge** - born July 14, 1874
died July 2, 1957

4. Lydia Bainbridge* - born March 7, 1877
died January 9, 1895 of tuberculosis

Information Sources:
Family Bible
National Archives
Recorder of Deeds-Grant County, Wis.
The Bartons

2nd Generation in America

NANCY BAINBRIDGE* - born December 16, 1838 in England
(McCallum) died August 27, 1914; Dubuque, Iowa
Married June 10, 1866 to
(dau. Geo. & Eliz.) Archibald McCALLUM*, b. Aug. 3, 1844, Scotland
died March 10, 1912, Dubuque, Iowa
Occupation: Ship-Carpenter in Dubuque
Residence: Dubuque, Iowa
bur: Both in Linwood Cemetery, Dubuque

Nancy was born in England and came to America with her parents when she was two years old. She lived in Elizabeth, Illinois, until her marriage, following which she and Archie made their home in Dubuque. Nancy was a typical little English lady, devoted to her home and flowers. She was a fine seamstress and was a member of the Third Presbyterian Church in Dubuque. She was a good neighbor and had many friends.

Archibald was born in Coat Bridge, Scotland, and came to America with his parents at the age of eight or nine. He grew up on a farm in Wisconsin and served in the Civil War before his marriage.

Children:

1. Albert James McCallum* - born December 2, 1870
died December 10, 1951

2. Mary Elizabeth McCallum - born July 29, 1878
died October 19, 1954

2nd Generation in America

ELIZABETH BAINBRIDGE* - born May 19, 1841; Elizabeth, Illinois
"Lizzie" (Eade) died July 1930; Park Rapids, Minnesota
Married Samuel EADE*
(dau. George & Eliz.) born 1836; Land End, Cornwall, England
died 1885; Elizabeth, Illinois
Occupation: Mining in the West
Residence: Elizabeth, Illinois
bur: Both in Elizabeth Cemetery

While Elizabeth raised the family in the town of Elizabeth, Sam earned the living for his family by mining in the West. He died of cancer of the bowel when he was only 49. Elizabeth was widowed at the age of 44 years and was destined to live on for another 45 years. As the children grew older and married, she turned her attention to the next generation. She helped at least a dozen of her grandchildren into the world; and her ability as mid-wife put her in demand by other families in town. She had a tip-top standing with the "ladies in waiting". She also worked as a housekeeper for different families, and cooked and prepared lunches for trainmen who picked up their food on regular stops in Elizabeth at the Long's Hotel which was located close to the depot.

She was a fine looking, dark-haired woman with a rather heavy build. Lizzie was a pleasant person to be around. Of a friendly nature, she enjoyed talk. laughter, and argument with all. Although she didn't have as fine a singing voice as some of her sisters, her lullabies will never fade from the memory of her grandchildren. Nor would they have traded their grandma's home for anyone elses; for she had a what-not unequaled anywhere. On it were puff balls, mild-week fluff, red velvet cushions stuffed into English walnut shells, bottles packed with sands of many colors, boxes covered with curiously shaped tiny shells in an age when Florida was as far away as the Fordan River; and there was even a bottle of water from the Jordan. A small china pot or rose petals, spiced and preserved, is still treasured by her eldest grand-daughter. Her front room had linen towels with fring attached to chair backs with metal holders; and there were hair flowers made from the hair of her children and relatives and framed to decorate the wall. She loved to wear a favorite string of beads brought by friends from the Holy Land; and she enjoyed clothes of a fancy type, especially one special white dress with a lace insertion at the neck. Beautiful thick, dark hair was her pride and glory.

One affliction she had - deafness;

Children of Sam and Elizabeth Bainbridge - Eade

1. Joseph Chester Eade* - born December 1, 1860;
   died March 19, 1916

2. Ida May Eade* (Smith) - born ------in Elizabeth Illinois

3. Lorena Eade* (Pimley) - born October 1, 1865
   died September 1937

4. Albert Eade* - born February 23, 1870
   died June 24, Freeport, Ill.

5. George Eade* - died in infancy.

2nd Generation in America

RUTH AMELIA BAINBRIDGE* - born February 5, 1845; Elizabeth, Illinois
(Luke) died July 6, 1931; Iron Mountain, Michigan
1st marriage - Marion BELCHER*
(dau. George & Eliz.) 2nd marriage - Richard LUKE*
Residence: Elizabeth, Ill.; Mifflin, Wis.:
Commonwealth, Wis.: & Iron Mountain, Mich.

Amelia's early married life with Mr. Belcher was spent in Elizabeth. That is where her daughter, Gertrude, was born and had her early schooling with Cora Bowman as her first teacher. (Cora later became Mrs. George Sidney Bainbridge, a sister-in-law of Amelia's). It is not known what brought about the termination of her marriage to Mr. Belcher.

Mr. Luke was a miner in the tin mines of Illinois and the iron mines in the area of Iron Mountain, Michigan. They lived in Commonwealth before moving to Iron Mountain. We do not know just when it was necessary for Amelia to take on the responsibility of her family's support; but her son, John, was working at the early age of 14.

Amelia was a small, wiry woman with lost of vim and vigor. Although she seemed elderly with her long white hair, she moved quickly and never seemed to tire. She was "poor as a church mouse", but insisted on making her own way. $1 a day was the going wage; and she walked to and from work, regarless of how far it was away - sometimes the distance woudd be as much as two miles. She earned her living as a washwoman; for housework or remarriage were about the only way a woman alone could raise her family. Her mind was "sharp as a tack", and she had an amazing memory for dates. She was an individualist, and at times had a sharp tongue; but she had many friends Amelia loved pretty dishes and had a fine collection of china. Her duplex, located across the street from her daughter's home was always very neat; and her bookshelves held various volumes of interesting books with which the grandchildren occupied themselves on their visits. As Amelia grew older, her youngest grandson was delegated to sellp at her house, so she wouldn't be alone in case of sudden illness. He was sort of a "man Friday", chipping wood, carrying out ashes, shoveling snow, and cultivating her small garden. In her later years she made a habit of attending every funeral in town, whether or not she knew the deceased. Amelia was bothered a great deal with rheumatism, which may have been aggrivated by her life of hard work. She was ailing a great deal the last seven years of her life. Near the end she developed pneumonia; and although she was getting better, she never fully recovered from it when death came.

Children:

1. Gertrude Belcher (Hooper)* - born March 6, 1865
died June 26, 1943

2. William Luke - born in 1878, died December 1913

3. John Luke - born May 10, 1883, died April 27, 1960

2nd Generation in America

GEORGE SIDNEY BAINBRIDGE* - born August 3, 1852; Elizabeth, Illinois
(son: George & Eliz.) died December 1, 1933; Rockford, Illinois
Married on September 26, 1877 to
Cora Ellen Bowman*
born April 23, 1853; died Nov. 20 1932
Occupation: Farming and Milk Route
Residence: Rockford, Illinois
bur: Greenwood Cem., Rockford, Illinois

Both George and Cora grew up in Elizabeth and were married there. They sang in the Methodist Church choir in 1875-1876, and she was the local "school" marm" in the little country school nearby. Their first son was born in Elizabeth. Believing there were better opportunities near Rockford where Cora's aunt lived, the young couple took their 9-month old son and moved their belongings by horse and wagon to the village of Harlem, north-east or Rockford. Here they farmed until 1889, at which time they sold the farm and moved to Rockford. They made their home in the west end; and with the profits made on the sale of the farm, George invested in the Diamond Furniture Co. where he worked as foreman. This venture did not prove to be the good investment he had hoped for, and he decided to return to farming. He rented farmland about 4 blocks from their home, and he had a fine herd of about 30 dairy cows. Every morning Heorge and his sons would have the herd milled by 6:30 and George would deliver his dairy route. His familiar milk wagon was drawn by a fine team of Morgan horses. He carried the mild in 32-quart cans; and as the customers would come out to the wagon for their milk, George would ladle it into their containers with a long-handled dipper. He loved horses and took great pride in the animals he owned. "Flossie" was out of Dan Patch, the famous race horse. She was later replaced by "Prince", a black stallion. George enjoyed raising and training beautiful horses and gained quite a requtation for his ability to "break" horses. Later he bought his own 20 acre farm nearby where he had a smaller dairy herd and sold the mild to a local dairy. This fram had a fine orchard of cherry trees, a large strawberry patch, and a nice vegetable garden. Besides his horses, he raised hogs and chickens. George, seated behind old Flossie in his Democrat wagon was a familiar sight as he delivered strawberries and cherries around the neighborhood. He was a tall, stately man of 6 feet or more, and carried himself erect. He had a rich bass voice, and in his younger days he sang with his sisters at entertainments in Elizabeth. He also played a horn in the Elizabeth Band. After the move to Harlem, he directed the church choir in which Cora sang, both being members of the Harlem Methodist Church. The whole family enjoyed music, and the children were all given piano lessons. Cora was a very energetic ambitious little woman; a good planner and organizer. Although it meant more owrk for her, she often kept boarders to supplement her husband's income. She was an immaculate housekeeper, good cook, and did beautiful needlework, knitting, and crocheting. She played the piano and had a nice alto voice. Failing health caused George and Cora to move in with their daughter and family on the farm. Cora passed quietly in her sleep two months later, and George died of hardening of the arteries a year later.

Children:
1. Frank Alvin Bainbridge* - born July [illegible] (biography page G-1)
2. Harry Clyde Bainbridge* - born April [illegible] (biography [illegible])
3. Jeanette Neola Bainbridge* - born Sept. 27, 1882 (biography page G-3)

2nd Generation in America

VIOLET VICTORIA BAINBRIDGE* - born November 19, 1856; Elizabeth, Ill.
(Barton) died April 25, 1939 of a stroke
Married in March 1893 to
(dau. George & Elizabeth) Henry Charles BARTON*, b. Aug. 26, 1895
Ed: Monmouth College graduate
d. September 9, 1922 of a heart attack
Occupation: Merchandising and Farming
Residence: Elizabeth, Illinois
bur: Both in Elizabeth Cemetery

As a young girl, Victoria, with her sisters, Mary and Carrie, and her brother, George Sidney, were known as the Bainbridge quartet in the Elizabeth Methodist Church choir. They also sang for other activities. She had a lovely soprano voice. She took voice lessons in Rockford, about 60 miles away, and appeared in a solo performance at a recital there. She was an excellent seamstress and did the fine finishing work for Mr. John Hagie, Sr. in his tailoring shop in Elizabeth. She met Henry Barton at choir practice. He had come to Elizabeth to operate a general store in partnership with his brother. Victoria and Henry were married at her home and lived in the Bainbridge homestead where she took care of her bedridden mother until her mother's death. From 1897 to 1901 the couple lived in town, after which they moved back to the Bainbridge farm which Victoria had purchased from the estate. The original home was moved to a more desirable location along the main road and was remodeled with additional rooms added. This remained the home of the Bartons until the spring of 1942 when it was sold.

Victoria was a most energetic person, keenly interested in world affairs. She was an excellent cook and always maintained a fine vegetable garden. She also raised many flowers, and flowering shrubs made the home very attractive. Like most women of her period, she did not have the opportunity to attend college; but she planned and managed so all of her three daughters could have a college education. She had a keen interest in travel,; and even in her late seventies, she was still enjoying trips to Yellowstone, Quebec, New England, and Florida.

Children:

1. Bessie Ruth Barton - born November 5, 1894

2. Carrie Robinson Barton - born September 22, 1897

3. Dorothea H. Barton - born October 9, 1902

2nd Generation in America

EVALENA RAINBAIDGE* (Miller) - born September 1[illegible], 1864; Elizabeth, Ill.
died February [illegible], 1[illegible]; Galena, Illinois
Married Nov. 7, 18[illegible] in Grant, Nebraska to
George Jason MILLER*
born August 25, 1[illegible]; died Mar. 15, 19[illegible]
Occupation: Farming
Residence: Woodbine, Illinois
bur: Both in Elizabeth, Illinois Cemetery

(dau. Geo. & Eliz.)

In 1885 George and his half-brother, Frank went to Elsie, Nebraska to "Homestead" a plot of gound. At the age of 24, Evalena joined him; and they were married. They lived in a sod house, and Evalena gathered dried buffalo chips for fuel. Their first son was born in Madrid, Nebraska. After almost two years of crop failures, they decided to return to Elizabeth, where they had both been born. They drove a team of horses hitched to a tarp-covered wagon, carrying their only possessions. It was a tedious trip with their sickly baby. They returned to the old Rainbridge homestead, where a few months later the baby died. In due time, they moved to Savanna, Illinois, where George worked in the furniture and delivery business with his cousin. They later moved to Stockton where they leased and operated a hotel and restaurant. After three years in this business, they bought a farm northeast of Woodbine, which became their permanent home.

Evalena, being a pioneer woman, was gifted with good health. She was small in stature and was an ambitious, hard-working woman. She was gifted with a lovely alto voice and sang in the church as well as around the home. She was a willing helper in church affairs and always took time to help a sick neighbor or friend. She was one of the oldest charter members of the Home Bureau. A letter written by Evalena 29 years ago furnished valuable information for this article.

Besides his farm work, George was a rural mail carrier for 24 years; and Evalena was his assistant for over 15 years. They used a horse and buggy for their 35-mile trek. George died of a stroke at the age of 62, and Evalena passed away at the age of 93 of heart failure, being the last of her large family lf 12 children.

Children: Hollis, Bessie, George Reuben, Blanche, Alta, Florence, Ralph, and Eugene.

3rd Generation in America

FRANK ALVIN BAINBRIDGE* - born July 9, 1878; Elizabeth, Illinois
died April 7, 1951; Rockford, Illinois
Married on February 19, 1903 to
Martha Smith, born March 22, 1882
Occupation: Farming and Butchering
Residence: Rockford, Illinois
bur: Greenwood Cemetery: Rockford, Ill.

(son: George and Cora)

Frank was born in Elizabeth, Illinois; moved to the Rockford area whith his parents when he was about nine months old. His next ten years were spent living on farms in Harlem township, and the family moved into Rockford when he was 11, Following grade school, he attended Rockford Business College, from which he graduated in 1897. The next six years he helped his father run the farm and handle the dairy route. Both Frank and Harry were promised a horse on their 21st birthday if they refrained from smoking and drinking. They both received this reward of their own horse. When Frank and Martha were married, they moved to a farm south of the city where he farmed for three years. Following this, they moved back to town; and Frank went to work for Schmauss Meat Company where he develped his skill at butchering. Several years later he returned to farming on a farm at Harrison, Illinois, where the family lived about four years. Frank then opened his own meat market, Eddy and Bainbridge, on West State Street; and the family moved back into town. After four years, he sold this business and became cattle buyer for the slaughter house, Carty-Dever. In 1918 Frank and Martha bought their own farm of 120 acres on Tate Road, where they lived until Frank's death. Frank would occasionally be called on to butcher by different markets in town, and was often asked by neighboring farmers to butcher for them. In return for his help, he would often be given heart, liver, tongue, etc. of the animal he was working on. During the depression years, this was very welcone. He served as Owen Township Assessor for 22 years and was a Charter Member of the Farm Bureau. He was actively engaged in farming up until his death, which was very sudden due to a heart attack.

Martha was a very capable homemaker and is remembered as a person who was always there to lend a helping hand when needed. She was a Charter Member of the Home Bureau and was an active member in the Owen Center Methodist Church. After Frank's death, she sold the farm to her grandson, Dale, and moved into Rockford. At 92 she still has a remarkable memory and a great interest in others.

Children:

1. Stanley Smith Bainbridge*-born Feb. 24, 1904
2. Sidney Frank Bainbridge *-born Feb. 14, 1905
   died April 10, 1907 of Scarlet Fever
3. Paul Ashley Bainbrige -born Feb. 21, 1908
   twins
4. Lucile Bainbridge -born Feb. 21, 1908
5. Infant son -born Jan. 29, 1910; died Feb. 28, 1910

3rd Generation in America

HARRY CLYDE BAINBRIDGE* - born April 28, 1880; Rockford, Illinois
died January 27, 1972; Rockford, Ill.
Married on June 9, 1909 to
Zeruah Delphine Steward*
born August 22, 1882; Rockford, Ill.
died September 2, 1926; Rockford, Ill.
Occupation: Printer-Office Manager
(Bliss Printing & Landmark Prtg.
Residence: Rockford, Ill.
bur: Both in Greenwood Cemetery, Rockford.

(son: George and Cora)

Harry was born on a farm in Harlem Township, near Rockford. Following his elementary school education, he took various courses at Rockford Business College. He took his first job in 1900 and retired from working in 1966, at the age of 86. 61 years of this time were in the printing business. He was blessed with good health up to the last four years and started a new job at the "young age" of 74 with Landmark Printing. He and Dell built a home west of Rockford in 1915, which served them during their lifetime. In 1925 they helped organize the Messiah Lutheran Church. Harry was active in schook, church, and community affairs. He loved music and sang in a local quartet (20years), the church choir (20 years), and the Rockford Men Singers (19years). Many hours of pleasure were spent at the piano with his family who all enjoyed music. He could still play and sing a song for a guest after he passsed his 90th birthday. He was a Mason and voted Replublican. He took great pride in his "weedless" garden where he raised vegetables that graced the family dinner table long into the winter. He loved to share his produce with friends and neighbors. Harry was a kind, happy man and seldom spoke a cross word. He was practical and economical. He did not take on a job unless he planned to do the best he could. A favorite motto of his was, "Plan you work and work your plan".

Dell was born on a farm in Owen Township. She was very talented in both voice and piano. She could play any sheet of music "on sight" and had a beautiful high soprano voice. She also sang in the choir and was active in school, church, and community work. She was a very fine watercolor artist, seamstress, and did beautiful embroidery work. Tragedy struck quickly when Dell submitted to gall bladder surgery at the age of 44 and developed an infection which took her life within a few days, leaving three children for Harry to raise. He took on the task and devoted his life to keeping his "little brood" together. Although he attained many accomplishments in his lifetime, nothing was more important to him than his family. He was 46 when Dell passed away, and he lived another 46 years without her. With the exception of the last five week when he was hospitalized for his illness, he lived out his life of 91 plus years in the home he loved so much. His death was due to hardening of the arteries.

Children:

1. Ronald Alvin Bainbridge - born July 9, 1911
2. Elva Elsie Bainbridge - born Jan. 5, 1917
3. Lorna Delle Bainbridge - born Oct. 5, 1922

3rd Generation in America

JEANETTE NEOLA BAINBRIDGE* - born September 27, 1882; Rockford, Ill.
"Nettie" died March 8, 1974 Rockford, Ill.
Married October 25, 1905 to
(dau. George & Cora) George Walter BROWN*
born October 26, 1879; Rockford, Ill.
Occupation: Livestock Farming
Residence: Rockford, Illinois
bur: Both in Greenwood Cemetery, Rockford

Jeanette was born on farm in Harlem Township near Rockford, Illinois. The family moved to Rockford when she was 7. She inherited her parents love for music. She played the piano, had a pretty alto voice, and was active in the church choir. She came as a bride to the Maply Grove Farm, the farm home where George was born, which is located on N. Main Road. There they lived together for 65 years, their entire married life. The archway over their back walk is the same archway under which they stood in the Bainbridge home to be married. They were both members of Court Street United Methodist Church, where Jeanette worked faithfully. She was also active in civic affairs (Founder and Director of the Big Sisters Organization, Director and Vice President of the Red Cross, and Director of the Tuberculosis Assn.) She was a School Board Director for 30 years and worked diligently in P.T.A. work at both local and county level. She made quite a hobby of her flowers and inherited her mother's ability for planning and organizing. Her first concern and main interest was her home and family. She was sweet and kind, soft spoken with a deep spiritual quality. Through the years she weathered many difficulties with her optimistic philosophy, "We'll take each day as it comes". She loved to have guests "drop in" and was delighted if they would gather around her piano for a "sing along". Through the loving devoted care of her family, she was able to stay in the home she loved so much until the end. She died of congestive heart failure in the same room where her children first saw the light of day and where her husband breathed his first and last breathe. She was a most remarkable person and one the younger generations could wisely pattern after. She had many friends. She died as this history of "her family" was being printed, and it is the sorrow of this writer that Aunt Nettie was never able to hold in her hands a copy of this article that she had been so enthused about and had contributed so much to. But that is life - and death!

George bought the home farm of 214 acres from his parents in 1911, and he was a prominent progressive livestock farmer, retiring at the age of 71. Stanton, who had been in partnership with his father, continued on with the farming; and George was very interested in all activity around the farm until his death. George was a Charter Member of the Farm Bur., and was an active member of Maple Grove Grange, in which he served as Master. He was a Road Commissioner of Owen Township, School Trustee, and Supervisor of Owen Township for 34 years. He was always interested and active in politics, a stauch Republican. He will be remembered for his great sense of humor that kept those around him smiling. George passed away the day following their 65th wedding anniversary observance. As was his wish, he died in the same home (even the same room) in which he was born. Death was attribued to hardening of the arteries.

Children: Renold, Bernard, Stanton, Walter, Corrine, Robert, and Joyce

[illegible]

1. [illegible] Brown - [illegible] July [illegible], [illegible]; Rockford, Illinois
   Residence: [illegible], Illinois

2. [illegible] Brown- born [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]; Rockford, Illinois
   Residence: Rockford, Illinois

3. [illegible] Brown - born October [illegible], [illegible]; Rockford, Illinois
   Residence: Rockford, Illinois

4. [illegible] Brown*- born [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]; Rockford, Illinois
   died [illegible], [illegible] of bronchial [illegible] ([illegible] yr.)
   bur: [illegible] Cemetery, Rockford, Illinois

5. [illegible] Brown- born March [illegible], [illegible]; Rockford, Illinois
   Residence: Rockford, Illinois

6. Robert Theodore Brown*born January [illegible], [illegible]; Rockford, Illinois
   died January [illegible], [illegible] (premature
   bur: Greenwood Cemetery, Rockford

7. Joyce Jeanette Brown -born September [illegible], 1925; Rockford, Illinois
   Residence: Connell, Washington

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[illegible]
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[illegible] Illinois

[illegible] his early years in Rockford. [illegible] he [illegible] with his [illegible] to a farm northwest of Rockford in [illegible] Township. During his school years he helped his father [illegible] the farming and [illegible] for neighboring farmers. [illegible] first [illegible] lived in Rockford. He [illegible] employed by the [illegible] Co. for [illegible]. [illegible] his family to a farm near [illegible], Illinois. They lived there for [illegible] and then purchased a [illegible]-acre [illegible] adjacent to his father's farm. While his children were in school, [illegible] for a number of years on the school board. He [illegible] a member of the Winnebago County Farm Bureau and served as a [illegible] of the Farm Bureau Service [illegible]. He was a member of the [illegible] Lodge of Rockton and a charter member of the Rockton Fire Protection District, organized in 19[illegible]. He served as their treasurer until his sudden death of a heart attack. Stan had a happy personality and good-natured smile. He will be remembered by his friends and neighbors for his deep concern for others and his willingness to help wherever he was needed.

Elsie [illegible] formally of her childhood [illegible] three brothers, [illegible], Roy, and Glen. Her father lived in [illegible] until he was [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] (Wisconsin). [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] attended Oxon Center [illegible] School, Rockford [illegible] School and [illegible] Business College. She was employed by Sundstrand [illegible] Machine until her marriage to Stan. She was involved in school activities while her children attended school. She was active in the [illegible] of Oxon Center Methodist Church and held many offices in the Home [illegible]. Her pleasant personality and cheerful smile are a great asset to the many organizations she belongs to. She enjoys gardening and working in her yard. She still lives on the farm she and Stan purchased in [illegible]. On the day on Stan's death, he was to sign papers for 80 acres of land adjacent to their farm. Elsie went ahead with the purchase of the land and her son, Dale, now farms the acreage.

Children:

1. [illegible] Gene Bainbridge - born March [illegible], 192[illegible]; Rockford, Illinois

2. [illegible] Alvin Bainbridge - born January 31, 1932, Rockford, Illinois

3. [illegible] May Bainbridge- born August 16, 19[illegible]; Rockford, Illinois

(See biographies on pages S-1, S-2, and S-3)

Information source:
Elsie Bainbridge

4th Generation in America

Paul ASHLEY BAINBRIDGE - born February 21, 1908 (twin of Lucille)
Married on September 27, 1930 to
Margaret Burritt, b. Oct. 26, 1905
Ed. Rockford College, Teacher's Cert.
Occupation: Livestock Farming
Residence: Rockford, Illinois

(son: Frank & Martha)

Paul helped his father on the home farm. As a young man, he enjoyed singing. With a friend joining him to make it a duo and his sister Lucille, at the piano, they were popular entertainment at local grange and picnic programs. After his marriage, Paul continued farming. He purchased his first farm of 200 acres north of Rockford on Rockton Avenue in 1940 and added a second farm of 120 acres in 1954. He has always had great interest in marketing and the promotion of better marketing practices of agricultural products. He served on the Board of Midwest Dairyman's Company for 9 years (2 yrs. as President), on the Board of Chicago Producer's Comm. Assn. for 9 years (6 yrs. as President), as Director of National Livestock Producers, serving on the Executive Committee which served in an advisory capacity to the Secretary of Agriculture, and as a Director of the National Livestock Credit Corporation (a loan agency for both farmer and rancher). Locally, he served many years on the School Boards at both the elementary and high school level, as well as on the Board of Trustees. Like his grandfather, Paul has always found pride and enjoyment in owning a fine horse. He received his first pony when he was in his early teens and has always had his own horse. He still rides often, much of it in connection with the work on his farm. Paul has a great interest in the events of the day. He is a Farm Bureau member and also a member of the Masonic Lodge and Tebala Temple.

Margaret taught in the Rockford School system for six years. She is a member of the Rockford chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and a former member of the Rockford Woman's Club. Margaret is a sister to Bill Burritt, who is married to Lucile, Paul's twin. Both Paul and Margaret enjoy golf as a hobby. In later years they built a second home in Naples, Florida where they spend their winters.

Children:

1. Marcella Anne Bainbridge (Rogers) - born July 24, 1931; Rockford, Ill.
Married May 25, 1957 to
Joe W. Rogers, b. Sept. 23, 1929
Occupation: Cattle Salesman
Residence: Yorktown, Illinois
(1) Joe W. Rogers, Jr. - born July 16, 1962
(2) Infant daughter - stillborn May 31, 1968
(3) Casey Paul Rogers - born August 31, 1969

2. Joan Kay Bainbridge (Elkins) - born January 25, 1935; Rockford, Ill.
Married December 19, 1964 to
James Elkins, b. July 22, 1936
Occupation: Attorney
Residence: Naples, Florida
They have no children

4th Generation in America

LUCILE BAINBRIDGE (Burritt) - born February 21, 1908 (twin to Paul)
Married October 12, 1929 to
R. William BURRITT, born Mar. 20, 1909
(dau. Frank & Martha) Residence: Rockford, Illinois

Lucille enjoys music, and her piano playing has brought enjoyment to many. In their teens, she and Paul were popular entertainment at Grange and farm picnic programs. She is a registered beautician and followed this profession until after her marriage. She was employed by the Rockford Board of Education for 14 years. For many years she did volunteer work, and is an active member of the Third Presbyterian Church. She is also a member of the Rockford Woman's Club. She enjoys and excels in the art of homemaking and enjoys lake life and fishing. She keeps an ever watchful eye out for her mother's welfare and happiness. Lucile's happy disposition and deep, rich laugh make her a joy to have around.

Bill worked 40 years for Central Illinois Electric and Gas Company and was assistant Secretary-Treasurer and Controller. After the merger with Commonwealth Edison of Chicago, he served as Administrative Manager of the Gas Division until his retirement in 1972. He is an active member of the Mauh-Nah-Tee-See Country Club, Elks Club, Chamber of Commerce, and the Y.M.C.A. Around the home he is very handy with tools. You name it - he fixes it! He enjoys golfing and loves to fish. They own a summer home in the north woods in Wisconsin.

Children:

1. Richard William Burritt - born May 25, 1930; Rockford, Ill.
Married August 30, 1952 to
Sharon Schroeder, b.Sept.9, 1929
Occupation: Training Supervisor, Caterpillar Tractor Co.
Residence: Morton, Illinois

(1) Richard Roger Burritt - born June 26, 1953
(2) David Boyd Burritt - born June 30, 1955
(3) Sheryl Sue Burritt - born November 19, 1957

2. Louwane Burritt (Lyddon) - born May 17, 1932; Rockford, Ill.
Married June 13, 1953 to
Forrest A. LYDDON, b. May 8, 1931
Occupation: Consulting Engineer, (Part owner of Farnsworth & Wylie)
Residence: Bloominton, Illinois

(1) Martha Lou Lyddon - born April 21, 1954
(2) William Arnold Lyddon - born August 24, 1957
(3) Kenneth Alan Lyddon - born October 31, 1959

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[illegible] of [illegible]

[illegible] Hobart [illegible] and [illegible] served [illegible] Club [illegible] outdoors, and [illegible]

Children:

1. [illegible] Joan Bainbridge - [illegible]

2. [illegible] Frank Bainbridge - born [illegible], 1951
Occupation: Landscaping

3. [illegible] Lynn Bainbridge - born [illegible], 19[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] - born [illegible] Rockford, Illinois
Married [illegible]
[illegible]
Occupation: [illegible]
Residence: Rockford, Illinois

Dale entered the marines in 19[illegible], and while in the service, he was [illegible] in Japan. His detail was to drive [illegible] of the outfits around. While in the marines he met Etta Coleman, also a marine from [illegible] Maryland. They married in Cambridge [illegible]. They then came back to Rockford, where they rented his grandmother's farm and eventually bought the farm. The farm is located on Tate road, north of Rockford. Dale enjoys his family and the outdoors.

Children:

1. Terry Dale Bainbridge - born October 7, 1956

2. Stacy Elizabeth Bainbridge - born February 9, 1959

3. Douglas Stanley Bainbridge - born November 1, 1961

[illegible]

[illegible] (Lightfoot) - [illegible] Illinois
[illegible]
[illegible]
Residence: [illegible], Illinois

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Lightfoot -born [illegible], [illegible]

[illegible] Lightfoot -born [illegible] 2, [illegible]

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GEORGE W. STULTZ* - [illegible]

Children:

1. George Stultz* - [illegible]

2. Frank [illegible] Stultz* - [illegible]

3. Harry Raymond Stultz - [illegible]

I do not have the information on when the Stultz family [illegible] to America; therefore, I will call this generation [illegible] since it is the first of the generations up to the present generations that I know of.

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Blue Paper - 1st Generation
White Paper - 2nd Generation
Green Paper - 3rd, 4th and 5th Generations

Information sources:
Raymond and Ruth Stultz
Bernice Bainbridge
Shirley Carter

1. [illegible]

2. [illegible] - [illegible]

3. [illegible] - [illegible]

4. [illegible] - [illegible] (See [illegible] page R-4)

5. [illegible] - born [illegible] (See [illegible] page R-5)

6. [illegible] (Carter) - born May [illegible], 1934 (See biography page R-6)

[illegible]

1. [illegible]

[illegible]

2. [illegible] - [illegible], Beloit Wisconsin
Married October, 196[illegible] to Lawrence Richardson
born 19[illegible]
Residence: Rockton, Illinois

(1) Michelle Lynn-born March 17, 1966
(2) Lawrence Michael-born November 5, 1967

3. Rebecca -born November 4, 19[illegible], Beloit, Wisconsin
married November, 1970 to Steve Fitzgerald (Div.)

[illegible]

BERNICE [illegible] STULTZ (Bainbridge) - born [illegible] 1[illegible], [illegible]
Married [illegible] 2[illegible], 19[illegible] to
[illegible]

[illegible], Illinois

Bernice enjoyed playing baseball, and [illegible] during her childhood. She played the [illegible] in the school band, and won first place in [illegible]. She enjoyed roller skating. She was on the Grain and [illegible] in [illegible] school. While in high school, Bernice was one of a group that [illegible] money for the [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] there [illegible] there. [illegible] on [illegible].

[illegible] Dixon in [illegible]. She likes to [illegible]. She enjoys her family.

Children:

1. [illegible] Bainbridge - born [illegible]
[illegible]

2. [illegible] Bainbridge - born [illegible] 19[illegible]
[illegible]

3. Barbara Lynn Bainbridge - born [illegible], 19[illegible]

3rd, 4th and 5th Generations

Raymond Earl Stultz - [illegible]
"Ray"

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Occupation: Pharmacist
Residence: Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Ray was the only boy with five sisters. He has always been interested in sports. In High School he was an excellent student and was one of the top three in his graduating class. He attended Beloit College and graduated as a pharmacist from the University of Wisconsin. He and Lois have five sons and are very involved in the school and family affairs.

Children:

1. Kent -born February 2[illegible], 1959
2. Mark -born March 11, 1960
3. Ron -born Feb. 14, 1961
4. Dan -born December 9, 1967
5. Wesley -born April 17, 1972

Children:

1. [illegible] - born [illegible].
2. [illegible] - born [illegible].
3. [illegible] - born [illegible], 1[illegible]
4. [illegible] - born March 15, 1960

BAINBRIDGE, TERRY DALE, 1956-

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   ____1850-1900 ____1900 or later

4. Please check all regions of the United States in which members of your family whom you have discussed in your paper have lived.

   ____New England(Mass.,Conn.,R.I.) ____Middle Atlantic(N.Y.,Penna., N.J. Va.) ✓ South Atlantic(Ga.,Fla.,N.C.,S.C.) ____East South Central (La.,Miss.,Ala.,Tenn,Ky.) ____West South Central(Ark.,N.M.,Tex.,Ok.) ____East North Central(Mich.,Ohio,Ind.) ✓ Pacific(Cal.,Wash.) ____(Hawaii,Alaska) ✓(Ill., Wisc.,)

5. Please check all occupational categories in which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have found themselves.

   ✓ Farming ____Mining ✓ Shopkeeping or small business
   ✓ Transportation ____Big Business ____Manufacturing
   ____Professions ✓ Industrial Labor ____Other_____

6. Please check all religious groups to which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have belonged.

   ____Roman Catholic ____Jewish ____Presbyterian ✓ Methodist
   ____Baptist ____Episcopalian ____Congregational ____Lutheran
   ✓ Quaker ____Mormon ____Other Protestant ____Other (name)_____

7. What ethnic and social groups are discussed in your paper?

   ____Swedish ____Other Scandinavian ____German ____French
   ____Blacks ____Indians ____Mexicans ____Puerto Ricans ____Eastern Europe
   ____Jews ____Central Europeans ____Italians ____Slavs
   ✓ Irish ✓ British ✓ Native Americans over several generations
   ____East Asian ____Other(Name)_____

8. What sources did you use in compiling your family history?

   ✓ Interviews with other family members ✓ Family Bibles ____Family Genealogics
   ✓ Land Records ____The U.S. Census
   ____Vital Records
   ✓ Photographs ✓ Maps ✓ Other

II. FAMILY DATA

A. Grandfather (your father's side)

Name [illegible] Current Residence _____

Date of birth [illegible] Place of birth [illegible]

Date of death [illegible] Place of burial [illegible]

Education (number of years);
grade school ____ high school ✓ vocational ____ college ____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st farmer	Dates [illegible]	1st [illegible]	Dates ____
2nd railroad	Dates ____	2nd [illegible]	Dates ____
3rd ____	Dates ____	3rd ____	Dates ____
4th ____	Dates ____	4th ____	Dates ____

Religion Methodist

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

[illegible]

Place of Marriage to your grandmother [illegible] date [illegible]

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (A-1)

B. Grandmother (your father's side)

Name [illegible] Current Residence [illegible]

Date of birth [illegible] Place of birth [illegible]

Date of death — Place of burial —

Education (number of years):
grade school ____ high school ____ vocational ✓
college ____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Sunday School	Dates [illegible]	1st [illegible]	Dates ____
2nd housewife	Dates 1927 —	2nd Rockford Ill.	Dates ____
3rd ____	Dates ____	3rd ____	Dates ____
4th ____	Dates ____	4th ____	Dates ____

Religion Methodist

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Home [illegible]

Place of marriage to your grandfather [illegible] date [illegible]

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (A-2).

A-2 Stepgrandfather (your father's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years)
grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____
college_____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc._____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandmother_____ date_____

B-2 Stepgrandmother (your father's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years):
grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____
college_____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc._____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandfather_____ Date_____

. Grandfather (your mother's side)

Name Howard Lee [illegible] Current Residence —

Date of birth April 4 1881 Place of birth [illegible], Maryland

Date of death December 27-1949 Place of burial —

Education (number of years):

grade school ✓ high school ____ vocational ____ college ____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st farmer	Dates ____	1st Maryland	Dates ____
2nd factory worker	Dates ____	2nd Maryland	Dates ____
3rd ____	Dates ____	3rd ____	Dates ____
4th ____	Dates ____	4th ____	Dates ____

Religion Methodist

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Democrat

Place of marriage to your grandmother Maryland date [illegible]

NOTE: If your mother was raised by a stepfather or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (C-1).

D. Grandmother (your mother's side)

Name Clara Elizabeth [illegible] Current Residence Trappe, Maryland

Date of birth Maryland Place of birth Oct 19 1884

Date of death ____ Place of burial —

Education (number of years)

grade school ✓ high school ____ vocational ____ college ____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st housewife	Dates ____	1st ____	Dates ____
2nd ____	Dates ____	2nd ____	Dates ____
3rd ____	Dates ____	3rd ____	Dates ____
4th ____	Dates ____	4th ____	Dates ____

Religion Methodist

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. [illegible]

Place of marriage to your grandfather [illegible] Date [illegible]

NOTE: If your mother was raised by a stepmother or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (D-2)

C-2 Stepgrandfather (your mother's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years)

grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____ college_____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc._____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandmother_____ Date_____

D-2 Stepgrandmother (your mother's side)

Name_____ Current Residence_____

Date of birth_____ Place of birth_____

Date of death_____ Place of burial_____

Education (number of years)

grade school_____ high school_____ vocational_____ college_____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st_____ Dates_____ 1st_____ Dates_____

2nd_____ Dates_____ 2nd_____ Dates_____

3rd_____ Dates_____ 3rd_____ Dates_____

4th_____ Dates_____ 4th_____ Dates_____

Religion_____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc._____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandfather_____ Date_____

CHILDREN of A & B (or A-2 or B-2) - your father's name should appear below

1. Name [illegible]
Place of birth Rockford Ill date [illegible]
Number of years of schooling [illegible] Occupation [illegible]
Residence Rockford Ill Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children 6 Death [illegible]

2. Name Dale Hiram [illegible]
Place of birth Rockford Ill date [illegible]
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation farmer
Residence Rockford Ill Marital Status married
Number of children 3 Death [illegible]

3. Name [illegible]
Place of birth Rockford Ill date [illegible]
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation [illegible]
Residence OHIO Marital Status married
Number of children 2 Death [illegible]

4. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

5. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children Death

6. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

7. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

8. Name [illegible]
Place of birth [illegible] date [illegible]
Number of years of schooling [illegible] Occupation [illegible]
Residence [illegible] Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children — death —

9. Name Etta Margaret [illegible]
Place of birth [illegible] date [illegible]
Number of years of schooling [illegible] Occupation [illegible]
Residence Rockford Ill Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children 3 death [illegible]

10. Name [illegible]
Place of birth [illegible] date [illegible]
Number of years of schooling [illegible] Occupation [illegible]
Residence Texas Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children 1 death [illegible]

CHILDREN of C and D (or C-2, D-2)-your mother's name should appear below

1. Name [illegible] Christopher Coleman
Place of birth [illegible] Maryland date 5-25-1942
Number of years of schooling 9 Occupation farmer-waterman
Residence [illegible] Maryland Marital Status 12-11-34
Number of children 1 death

2. Name [illegible]
Place of birth [illegible] Maryland date 6-14-1914
Number of years of schooling 4 Occupation housewife
Residence [illegible] Maryland Marital Status 9-30-32
Number of children 5 death

3. Name [illegible] Coleman
Place of birth [illegible] Maryland date 7-21-1916
Number of years of schooling 11-graduate Occupation housewife
Residence [illegible], Maryland Marital Status 6-25-1955
Number of children 4 death

4. Name [illegible] Coleman Jr.
Place of birth Trappe MD date 9-1-1918
Number of years of schooling 8 Occupation truck driver
Residence Trappe MD Marital Status married
Number of children 2 death 11-30-1953

5. Name [illegible] Coleman
Place of birth Oxford date 12-24-1920
Number of years of schooling 11-graduate Occupation clerk
Residence [illegible] Md Marital Status Divorced
Number of children -- death -

6. Name [illegible] Coleman
Place of birth Trappe Md date 2-23-1923
Number of years of schooling 7 Occupation truck driver
Residence Trappe Md. Marital Status 11-13-1942
Number of children 3 death 11-30-1950

7. Name James Hilton Coleman
Place of birth Trappe Md date 3-21-1925
Number of years of schooling 7 Occupation truck driver
Residence Trappe Md Marital Status 12-9-48
Number of children 2 death

8. Name [illegible] Coleman
Place of birth Trappe Md date 7-24-1926
Number of years of schooling 9 Occupation farmer-waterman
Residence Trappe Md. Marital Status 11-2-41
Number of children 4 death 8-30-67

9. Name [illegible] Coleman
Place of birth [illegible] Md date 12-19-28
Number of years of schooling 4 Occupation carpenter
Residence Trappe Md Marital Status 4-11-1950
Number of children 4 death

10. Name [illegible] Coleman
Place of birth [illegible] Md date [illegible]
Number of years of schooling 11-graduate Occupation Insurance agent
Residence Trappe Md Marital Status 8-31-1951
Number of children 4 death

[illegible] the rest of Coleman children

Your Father

Name Dale Alvin Bainbridge Current Residence Rockford Ill

Date of birth January 31, 1932 Place of birth Rockford Ill

Date of Death — Place of burial —

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school [illegible] vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st Marine Corp Dates [illegible] 1st [illegible] Dates _____

2nd Farmer Dates [illegible] 2nd Rockford Ill Dates _____

3rd bus driver Dates [illegible] 3rd Rockton [illegible] Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion Methodist

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Republican

Place of marriage to your mother Maryland date [illegible]

NOTE: If you were raised by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (E-2)

Your Mother

Name Etta Marguerite Coleman Current Residence Rockford Ill

Date of birth [illegible] Place of birth [illegible] Maryland

Date of death — Place of burial —

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st Marine Corp Dates [illegible] 1st [illegible] Dates _____

2nd housewife Dates [illegible] 2nd Rockford Ill Dates _____

3rd bus driver Dates [illegible] 3rd Rockton Ill Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion Methodist

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. Republican

Place of marriage to your father [illegible] date [illegible]

NOTE: If you were raised by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (F-2).

E-2 Stepfather

Name _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college ___

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your mother _____ Date _____

F-2 Stepmother

Name _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college ___

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your father _____ date _____

CHILDREN OF E AND F (or E-2,F-2) -YOUR NAME SHOULD APPEAR BELOW

1. Name Terry Dale Bauerlein
Place of birth Rockford Ill Date of birth [illegible]
Number of years of schooling 14 Occupation —
Residence Rockford Ill Marital Status Single
Number of children — death —

2. Name Stacy Elizabeth Bauerlein
Place of birth 2-9-1959 Date of birth Rockford Ill
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation —
Residence Rockford Ill Marital Status Single
Number of children — death —

3. Name Douglas Stanley Bauerlein
Place of birth Rockford Ill Date of birth [illegible]
Number of years of schooling 9 Occupation —
Residence Rockford Ill Marital Status Single
Number of children — death —

4. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

5. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

6. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

7. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

8. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

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Signed Terry Dale Bauerlein

Date [illegible]77

GENEALOGY CHART

Born: [illegible] 1936
Married:
Died:

Father
B 1-31-1932
M Sept [illegible] 1955
D

Mother
B 3-26-1936
D

Grandfather
B Feb 24-1904
M March 26-1927
D March 3-1962

Grandmother
B Sept 2-1907
D

Grandfather
B ~~[illegible]~~ Apr 4-1887
M March 28, 1912
D

Grandmother
B Oct 19 1894
D

B [illegible]
M [illegible]
D [illegible]

B [illegible]
D [illegible]

B [illegible]
M [illegible]
D [illegible]

B [illegible]-14-1874
D [illegible]

B [illegible]
M [illegible]
D [illegible]

B [illegible]
D [illegible]

B [illegible]
M
D [illegible]

B Nov 25, 1863
D Jan 1, 1933

SOURCES

Elva Bainbridge Anderson: Family Genealogies.

Elsie Marguarite Bainbridge: Interview and Bible.

Dale and Etta Bainbridge: Interview.

Willis Leonard Coleman: Written communication. He collected and interviewed relatives in Maryland.

BAINBRIDGE

TTO DUM SPIRO, SPERO – "While I breathe, I hope"

MS. Argent a chevron embattled between three battle-axes sable.

ST On a mount vert a goat sable collared argent.

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lanation:

gent – White or silver (Peace and Sincerity)

vron – Signified protection.

– Symbol of execution of military duty.

– (Black) Denotes constancy.

– Emblem of military man who wins a vic ory by valor rather than policy.

– (Green) Signifies Hope, Joy, Loyalty.

BAINBRIDGE HISTORY

JOHN BAINBRIDGE: Born in England; died in England about 1822.

Married: Margaret "Peggy" Longstaff.

Occupation: Lead Miner.

Residence: Middleton in Teesdale, England

Children:

Charles B. BAINBRIDGE: Born November 18, 1802; Middle in Teesdale.
In America, he settled in Fairplay, Wis.
Died December 14, 1886

William BAINBRIDGE: Born August 29, 1813; Newcastle, England.
In America, he settled in Mifflin, Wis.
Died December 26, 1896.

George BAINBRIDGE: Born January 6, 1816; Durham County, England.
In America, he settled in Elizabeth, Ill.
Died August 18, 1877.

Margaret BAINBRIDGE: No record of birth or death.
In America, she settled in Pennsylvania.

John BAINBRIDGE: No record of birth or death.
In America, she died in California.

Thomas BAINBRIDGE: No record of birth or death.
Family records say he settled around Mifflin, Wis.

George BAINBRIDGE is my direct ancestor. I will concern myself with him and trace downward to the present generation.

The John Bainbridge family lived in northern England, in the town of Middleton-in-Teesdale.

1st Generation in America

GEORGE BAINBRIDGE: Born January 6, 1816, Durham County, England.
Died August 18, 1877; Elizabeth, Ill.
Married in England to Elizabeth Robinson.
She was born July 28, 1821, in England and
died July 21, 1897, in Elizabeth, Ill.
Occupation: Farmer and Stage Coach Driver.

George and Elizabeth were married in England. Elizabeth was the daughter of Thomas Robinson and Ann Binks of Yorkshire. Her father was an Inn Keeper by trade and a Quaker by faith.

While in England, George earned his living as a miner. They immigrated to America with their children(two) arriving June 14,1840. They came to Elizabeth from Galena by ox cart and wagon, fording the Apple River at what was then known as Georgetown. They settled on 40 acres of land near Elizabeth; and when this land came into market, George purchased it from the United States government. The fort used during the Blackhawk War was situated on a hill overlooking a spring on the southeast side of his farm. The Apple River Fort was used by the early settlers during the battle with the Indians on June 24, 1832. About 20 men were inside the crude frontier structure, together with a number of women and children. A small group of women worked with the men molding bullets. The battle lasted 45minuetes, and one man was killed. He was buried on the land that was later George's property. There were also were also numerous Indian mounds where bones and relics were found. George tore down the fort and used the logs to build a barn for his stock. His youngest daughter could remember finding bullet holes in some of the logs as a result of the Indian attack in 1832. George farmed his land and also operated a stage coach run between Chicago and Galena. He was a devout Methodist and a very determined person in his belief. Ten more children were born to him and his wife after they came to this country, making a total of twelve children. George died suddenly, coming home ill one

night from Galena. Death was caused by cholera morbus. He was 61, and at least five of the children were still at home.

Elizabeth was quick to help her neighbors in time of sickness and trouble but kept busy at home taking care of her large family. She lost two of her daughters in their early twenties within four years after her husbands death. She was bed ridden toward the end and was cared for by her daughter, Vivtotia, in the old family home. She died of dropsy as she approached her 76th birthday.

Children: John, Nancy, Elizabeth, Thomas, Ruth Amelia, George William, Margret, George Sidney, Mary, Victoria, Caroline, and Evalena.

2nd Generation in America

George Sidney BAINBRIDGE: Born August 3, 1852; Elizabeth, Ill.
Died December 1, 1933; Rockford, Ill.
Married on September 26, 1877 to Cora Ellen Bowman, she was born April 23, 1853 and Died November 20, 1932.
Occupation: Farming and Milk Route
Residence: Rockford Ill.

Both George and Cora grew up in Elizabeth and were married there. They sang in the Methodist Church choir in 1875--1876. and she was the local"school mare" in the little country school nearby. Their first son was born in Elizabeth. Believing there were better opportunities near Rockford where cora's aunt lived, the couple took their 9-month old son and moved their belongings by horses and a wagon to the village of Harlem, north-east of Rockford. They made their home in the west end; and with the profits made on the sale of the farm, George invested in the Diamond Furniture Company where he worked as foreman. This venture did not prove to be the good investment he had hoped for, and he decided to return to farming.

He rented farmland about 4 blocks from their home, and he had a fine herd of about 30 dairy cows. Every morning George and his sons would have the herd milked by 6:30 and George would deliver his dairy route. His familiar milk wagon was drawn by a team of Morgan horses. He carried milk in 32-quart cans; and as the customers would come out to the wagon for their milk, George would ladle it into their containers with a long-handled dipper. He loved horses and took great pride in the animals he owned. "Flossie" was out of Dan Patch, the famous race horse. She was later replaced by "Prince", a black stallion. George enjoyed raising and training beautiful horses and gained quite a reputation for his ability to "break horses". Later he bought his own 20-acre farm nearby where he had a smaller dairy herd and sold the milk to a local dairy. This farm had a fine orchard of cherry trees, a large strawberry patch, and a nice vegetable garden. Besides his horses, he raised hogs and chickens. George, seated behind Old Flossie in his Democrat wagon was a familiar sight as he delivered strawberries and cherries around the neighborhood. He was a tall, stately nam of 6 feet or more, and carried himself erect. He had a rich bass voice, and in his younger days he sang with his sisters at entertainments in Elizabeth. He also played a horn in the Elizabeth Band. After the move to Harlem, he directed the church choir in which Cora sang, both being menbers of the Harlem Methodist Church. The whole family enjoyed music, and the children were all geven piano lessons. Cora was a very energetic, ambitious little woman; a good planner and organizer. Although it meant more work for her, she often lept boarders to supplement her husband's income. She was an immaculate housekeeper, good cook, and did beautiful needlesork, knitting, and crocheting. She played the piano and had a nice alto voice. Failing health caused George and Cora to move in with their daughter and family on the farm. Cora passed quietly in her sleep two months later, and George died of

hardening of the arteries a year later.

Children:

Frank Alvin BAINBRIDGE: Born July 9, 1878--Died April 7 1951

Harry Clyde Bainbridge: Born April 281880--Died January 27, 1972

Jeanette Neola Bainbridge: Born September 27, 1882--Died March 8, 1974

3rd Generation in America

FRANK ALVIN BAINBRIDGE: Born July 9, 1878; Elizabeth, Ill.
Died April 7, 1951; Rockford, Ill.
Married on February 19, 1903 to
Martha Smith, Born March 22, 1882
Occupation: Farming and Butchering
Residence: Rockford, Ill.

Frank was born in Elizabeth, Illinois; and moved to the Rockford area with his parents when he was about nine months old. His next ten years he spent living on farms in Harlem township, and the family moved into Rockford when he was 11. Following grade school, he attended Rockford Business College, from which he graduated in 1897. The next six years he helped his father run the farm and handle the dairy route. Both Frank and Harry were promised a horse on their 21st birthday if they refrained from smoking and drinking. They both received this reward of their own horse. When Frank and Martha were married, they moved to a farm south of the city where he farmed for three years. Following this, they moved back to town: and Frank went to work for Schrauss Meat Company where he developed his skill at butchering. Several years later he returned to farming on a farm at Harrison, Ill. where the familu lived about four years. Frank then opened his own meat market. Eddy and Bainbridge, on West State Street; and the family moved back into town. After four years, he sold this business and became cattle buyer for the slaughter house, Carty-Dever. In 1918 Frank and Martha bought their own farm of 120 acres on Date Road, where they lived until Frank's death. Frank would occasionally be called on to butcher by different meat markets in town, and was often

asked by neighboring farmers to butcher for them. In return for his help, he would often be given the heart, liver, tongue, etc. of the animal he was working on. During the depression years, this was very welcome. He served as Owen Township Assessor for 22 years and was a Charter Member of the Farm Bureau. He was actively engaged in farming up until his death, which was very sudden due to a heart attack. Martha was a very capable homemaker and is remembered as a person who was always there to lend a helping hand when needed. She was a Charter Member of the Home Bureau and was an active member in the Owen Methodist Church. After Frank's death, she sold the farm to her grandson, DALE BAINBRIDGE,and moved into Rockford. Martha then moved to Highview Nursing Home, in Rockford. Martha died at the age of 93 on May 14, 1975. She is remembered as a person with a remarkable memory and a great interest in others.

Children:

Stanley Smith BAINBRIDGE: Born Febuary 24 1904, died March 3, 1962.

Sidney Frank Bainbridge: Born Febuary 14,1905, died April 10, 1907 of Scarlet Fever

Paul Ashley Bainbridge: Born Febuary 21, 1908

Lucile Bainbridge: Born Febuary 21, 1908. Lucile and Paul are twins.

Infant son: Born Jan. 29, 1910; died February 28, 1910.

4th Generation in America

STANLEY SMITH BAINBRIDGE: Born February 24, 1904; Rockford, Ill.
Died March 3, 1962; Rockford Ill.
Married March 26, 1927 to Elsie Marguarite Nicholls, Born September 2, 1907.
Occupation: Farming
Residence: Rockford, Ill.

Stan spent his early years in Rockford. When he was 14, he moved with his parents to a farm nothwest of Rockford in Cewn Township. During his school years he helped his father with the farming and also worked

for neighboring farmers. When he and Elsie were first married, they lived in Rockford. He was employed by the American Railway Express Company for many years. Later he moved his family to a farm near Harrison, Ill. They lived there for eight years and then purchased a 140--acre farm adjacent to his father's farm. While his children were in school, Stan served for a number of years on the school board. He was also a member of the Winnebago County Farm Bureau and served as a Director of the Farm Bureau Service Company. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge of Rockton and a charter member of the Rockton Fire Protection District, organized in 1947. He served as their treasurer until his sudden death of a heart attack. Stan had a happy personality.

Elsie attended Owen Center Grade School, Rockford High School and Brown's Business College. She was employed by Sundstrand Adding Machine until her marriage to Stan. She was involved in school activities while her children attended school. She was active in the WSCS of Owen Center Methodist Church and held many offices in the Home Bureau. Her residence to this day is on the she and Stan purchased in 1942. On the day of Stan's death, he was to sign papers for 30 acres of land adjacent to their farm. Elsie went ahead with the purchase of the land; today her son DALE BAINBRIDGE owns all of the property his father had owned.

Children:

Sidney Gene Bainbridge: Born March 24, 1928; Rockford, Ill.

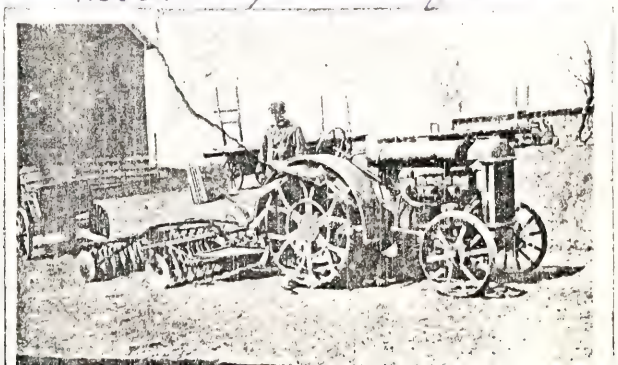
DALE ALVIN BAINBRIDGE: Born January 31, 1932; Rockford, Ill.

Virginia May Bainbridge: Born August 16, 1933; Rockford Ill.

About
1919
Youngs School

Barnbridge
family reunion
1955

About 1915, Farm equipment



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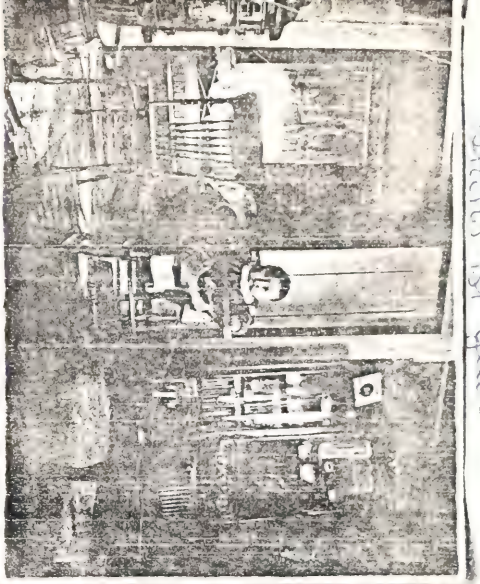


Stan's 1st year

Bainbridge Plaque Hung In Fire Hall

Our Area News Service

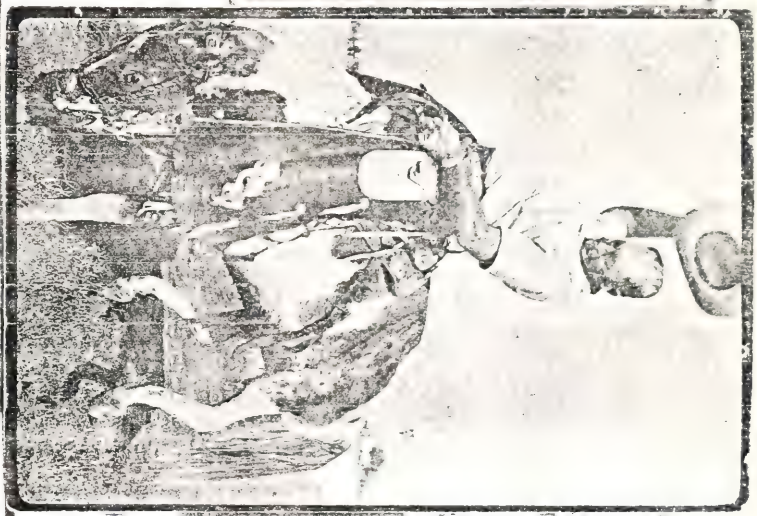
ROCKTON — Rockton firemen have dedicated a new plaque honoring five deceased members of the fire department.

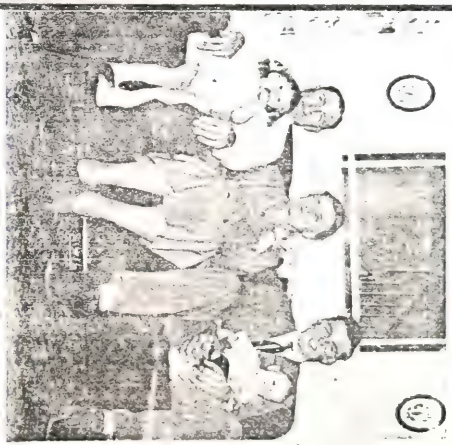
The plaque, the Stanley Bainbridge Memorial, has been given a permanent place in Firemen's Hall here.

Bainbridge, for whom the memorial is named, was one of the organizers and first trustees of the Rockton Fire Protection District.

Four others named on the plaque are Richard Simonds, Lawrence McGonigal, Marshall Jensen and Lester Roberts.

Bainbridge's wife, Elsie, two sons, Sidney and Dale, and daughter Mrs. Ray Lightfoot, are all Rockford residents.





4 generations of Bainbridge
Pam, Stan, Martha, Sidney, Bill

Stanley Smith Bainbridge

NICHOLLS HISTORY

WILLIAM NICHOLLS: Born November 11, 1870, in Cornwall England.
Died May 5, 1942; Rockford, Ill.
Married to May Elizabeth Liddle.
Her birth date November 14, 1874, and she died June 11, 1957; Rockford Ill.
Occupation: Farmer

William came to America at the age of 18, and traveled to the Rockford area and began to farm land on Owen Center Road. At the age of 20 he took as his wife an area woman by the name of May Elizabeth Liddle. Her father had been a farmer also so she handled the responsibilities of a farmers wife very well. To supply his family with the best he also worked for the railroads occasionally. William and May Elizabeth had 5 children, two of their sons died both in their early 20s from a sudden sickness. The surviving children commented that because of the seclusion of the country the neighbors made their own fun, with dances and area parties. Those days the farmers worked together and shared the happy and the bad times together, this made the neighborhood a close knit group.

Children

Chellis William: Born February 11, 1897, Died in his early 20s.

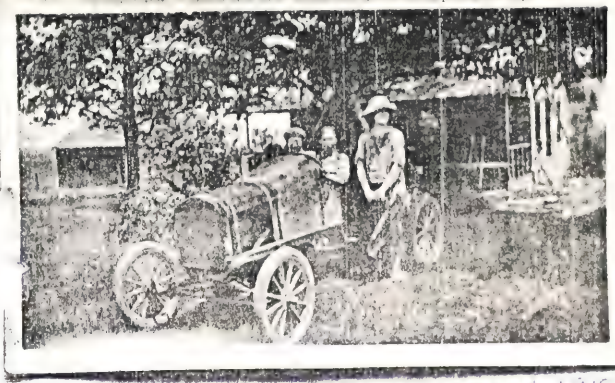
Lyle Isabelle: Born December 3, 1899.

Roy Henry: Born October 11, 1900, Died in his early twenties.

Elsie Marguarite Bainbridge: Born September 2, 1907.

Glen Vivian: Born December 29, 1916.

This is a picture of Elsie and a friend in the barn yard.



Nicholls transportation around 1915

1st Row
Chelles, Glen, Lyle, and Ray

2nd Row
William, May, Elsie

m, Elsie, May, Sidney, Bill
generations of Nicholls

4th Generation in America

DALE ALVIN BAINBRIDGE: Born January 31, 1942, Rockford, Ill.
Married September 24, 1955, to
Etta Marguarite Coleman, from Truceville,
Maryland. Born on March 26, 1936.
Occupation: Farmer.

As a child, his life consisted of helping his father on the farm and he when to a small grade school on Harrison Road. Youngs Grade School was a one room building with 4--8 student depending on weather or not a child was needed at home to help on the farm. Dale's father believed that education was important so Dale went to Hononegah High School in Rockton Ill. He graduated from there in 1950. Two years later he decided to go into the Marines and travel. First he was stationed in California, then to Japan and finially to Quantico, Virginia where he meet Etta Marguarite Coleman. Etta, a graduate from Easton High School(The class of 1954 was the first High school to ever go to 12th grade as a requirement for graduation in the state of Maryland). In 1954, she joined the Marine Corp. First she had basic training at Paris Island, South Carolina, then transfered to Quantico,Virginia. At their first meeting a spontaneous couple. They were married in Grace Methodist Church and theirs was the first wedding of all her children Clara had ever gone to. After his discharge from the service, on January 13, 1956 Dale and Etta arrived in Rockford, Ill. They had an arrangement with his father of 3rds on the ground he helped his father work. Dale bought 120-acres on Tate Road from his Grand-mother, Martha Bainbridge. Later after his fathers death Dale went on halves with his mother as he worked the ground. January of 1967 Dale bought the 80-acres which Elsie had signed for on the death of her husband. January of 1976 Dale expanded even more with then ownership of the rest of the property that had been his father's. In December 1976 another addition to the property was added, 30-acres on Tate Road. Both Dale and Etta were involved with the 4-H Girls and Boys baseball

team management. Both were bus drivers, Dale 16 years and Elta 8 years. Their newest venture is a modernized bus operation.

Children

TERRY DALE BAINBRIDGE: Born October 7, 1956.

Stacy Elizabeth Bainbridge: Born February 9, 1959

Douglas Stanley Bainbridge: Born November 1, 1961

TERRY DALE BAINBRIDGE:

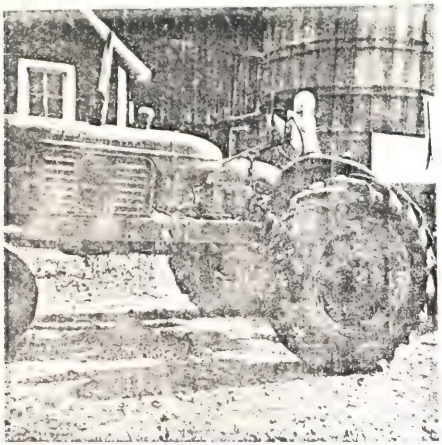
I am basically not one to concern myself with such a short past. I am 20 years old and college is my career at this time of my life. I am a member of PAL's which is a group which deals with youth. The area which I with be concentrating on in the future with be Social Work.

I graduated from Hononegah High School in 1975, on June 6th. During school I was in many activities. At 18, I was able to vote and I'm proud to admit that I voted in the 1976, election. I am basically a Republican but will vote for the best person. Though our family is Methodist I at this time follow no certain religion.

My favorite rememberence is Christmas, my parents made it a most special event. I like poetry and every once in a while write a few lines myself. I love to dance and jog, any sports activity I enjoy.

As I said before when you're 20 there just is'nt much history to comment on.

Dale Alvin Bainbridge Farm



October 1963
Douglas Bainbridge
Enjoy farming even
at the age of two.

Dale, Douglas, Terry, Etta Stacy
The Bainbridges 1968

Dale Bainbridge on his wedding day.

Etta Coleman, 1954, Marine Corp

COLEMAN HISTORY

JOHN WESLEY COLEMAN: Died August 18, 1925.

Married: Sara Turner: Died January 30, 1916

Occupation: Farmer

Residence: Trappe, Maryland

This is all the information I received about my Great-grandparents. So I will concern myself more with the information I was given about my Grandfather.

HOWARD LEE COLEMAN: Son of John Mesley Coleman, Born April 4, 1887.
Died December 27, 1949.
Married: Clara Elizabeth Skipper.
She was born October 19, 1894.
Occupation: Farming.

Howard and Clara were married March 28, 1912, in Trappe, Maryland. Clara was the daughter of Leon Alexander Skipper (Born May 11, 1860, died August 5, 1922). My Great-grandfather was born in Ireland. From Ireland he traveled to America. He basically drifted from Baltimore to Bruceville and finially made a home in Trappe, Maryland with his wife, Anne Rebecca Virginia Lewis(Birth November 25, 1863, and died January 1, 1933). Like the Colemans,the Skippers had a farming background. Howard and Clara had 13 children and in his search for the best opportunities for his family, the family shifted between Trappe, Bruceville, Oxford, and Barber all in Maryland. Times where hard but Howard kept the family together with his cheerful attitude. Though farming was his main area of work he often would pick up extra work such as , night watchman in a factory which built battle-ships. Also he worked in a canning factory as the boilerman. Both Howard and Clara were Methodists

and were also strict Democrats. Clara also worked odd jobs to pick up extra money for the family. She worked for a canning factory and hung wall paper, but with 13 children, mother and housewife was job enough. Howard died at the age of 61, the cause was a heart condition. Clara had a full responsibility but she mastered it well. Her daughter Etta Marguarite reflects with the thought that they were not poor, because somehow their mother always came through with the nessesities. Clara must have been a woman of great strength for she successfully raised 13 children and since then has gone through two opperations. Today she finds life a little easier as she travels to visit each of her children during the winter and quietly lives in a trailor, in Bruceville, in the summer.

Children

Earl Christopher; born March 25, 1912

Clara Lee; born May 14, 1914

Howard Lee Jr.: born September 1, 1918, died November 30, 1953

Sallie Virginia: born July 21, 1916

Rebecca May: born December 29, 1920

Charles Olsen: born February 23, 1923; died November 30, 1950

James Alden: born March 21, 1927

John Testler: born July 24, 1926; died August 30, 1967

Carroll Agustine; born December 19, 1928

Willis Leonard; born August 31, 1931

George William; born January 21, 1934

ETTA MARGUERITE BAINBRIDGE: Born March 26,1936

Elmer Carter; born March, 1936, the twin of ETTA.

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The Bruceville School as it appeared before fire destroyed it about 1926. Teachers occupied a small apartment at the rear of the building.

The grade school which Coleman Children went to.

John Wesley and George Wm Coleman, around 1960, They show what good watermen they are.

1948 TAX RECEIPT No. 187

Trappe District, Talbot County, Maryland

Mr. Howard L. & Clara E. Coleman

To CHARLES N. SHERIDAN, Treasurer, Dr.

1948 To County Tax on $ 300,	150 cts. on the $100,	$ 4.50
1948 To State Tax on $ 300,	$11\frac{13}{100}$ cts. on the $100,	$ .33
		$ 4.83
Discount (Interest State Tax from October 1, 1948 / Interest County Tax from October 1, 1948) and Postage		$ .13
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BARDY, DENNIS JAMES, 1957-

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   Date of form 3-23-77

2. Your college: Rock Valley College
   Rockford, Illinois

3. Check the earliest date for which you have been able to say things about your family in your paper.

   ____Before 1750 ____1750-1800 ____1800-1850
   ____1850-1900 ✓1900 or later

4. Please check all regions of the United States in which members of your family whom you have discussed in your paper have lived.

   ____New England(Mass.,Conn.,R.I.) ____Middle Atlantic(N.Y.,Penna., N.J. Va.) ____South Atlantic(Ga.,Fla.,N.C.,S.C.) ____East South Central (La.,Miss.,Ala.,Tenn,Ky.) ____West South Central(Ark.,N.M.,Tex.,Ok.)
   ✓East North Central(Mich.,Ohio,Ind.) ____Pacific(Cal.,Wash.)
   ____(Hawaii,Alaska) (Ill., Wisc.,)

5. Please check all occupational categories in which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have found themselves.

   ✓Farming ____Mining ✓Shopkeeping or small business
   ____Transportation ____Big Business ____Manufacturing
   ____Professions ____Industrial Labor ____Other_____

6. Please check all religious groups to which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have belonged.

   ✓Roman Catholic ____Jewish ____Presbyterian ____Methodist
   ____Baptist ____Episcopalian ____Congregational ____Lutheran
   ____Quaker ____Mormon ____Other Protestant ____Other (name)_____

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   ✓Irish ____British ____Native Americans over several generations
   ____East Asian ____Other(Name)_____

8. What sources did you use in compiling your family history?

   ✓Interviews with other family members ✓Family Bibles ____Family Genealogies
   ____Land Records ____The U.S. Census
   ✓Vital Records
   ✓Photographs ✓Maps ✓Other

I. FAMILY DATA

A. Grandfather (your father's side)

Name Richard Joseph Bardy Current Residence _____

Date of birth 6-12-92 Place of birth Cincinnati Ohio

Date of death 12-17-63 Place of burial Calvary Cemetary

Education(number of years);
grade school ____ high school 12 vocational ____ college ____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Plumber	Dates ____	1st ____	Dates ____
2nd ____	Dates ____	2nd ____	Dates ____
3rd ____	Dates ____	3rd ____	Dates ____
4th ____	Dates ____	4th ____	Dates ____

Religion Catholic

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Republican

Place of Marriage to your grandmother Sacrade Heart Church date 11-22-15

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (A-1)

B. Grandmother (your father's side)

Name Fedalia Mary Dixon Current Residence _____

Date of birth 9-25-96 Place of birth Indianapolis Ind.

Date of death 8 26-58 Place of burial Calvary Cemetary

Education (number of years):
grade school 8 highsschool ____ vocational ____
college ____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Housewife	Dates ____	1st ____	Dates ____
2nd ____	Dates ____	2nd ____	Dates ____
3rd ____	Dates ____	3rd ____	Dates ____
4th ____	Dates ____	4th ____	Dates ____

Religion Catholic

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandfather Sacrade Heart date 11-22-15

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (A-2).

Grandfather (your mother's side)

Name Joseph Lewis Gole Current Residence _____

Date of birth 3-14-94 Place of birth Polhov Grade Yugoslavia

Date of death 7-16-71 Place of burial ST Joseph Cemetery

Education (number of years):

grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Furnice Packer	Dates _____	1st _____	Dates _____
2nd _____	Dates _____	2nd _____	Dates _____
3rd _____	Dates _____	3rd _____	Dates _____
4th _____	Dates _____	4th _____	Dates _____

Religion Catholic

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandmother Holy Trinity date 6-12-20

NOTE: If your mother was raised by a stepfather or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (C-1).

Grandmother (your mother's side)

Name Amelia Metelko Current Residence _____

Date of birth 12-28-1900 Place of birth Novomesto Yugoslavia

Date of death 2-18-45 Place of burial ST. Joseph Cemetery

Education (number of years)

grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
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3rd _____	Dates _____	3rd _____	Dates _____
4th _____	Dates _____	4th _____	Dates _____

Religion Catholic

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandfather Holy Trinity Date 6-12-20

NOTE: If your mother was raised by a stepmother or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (D-2)

CHILDREN of A & B (or A-2 or B-2) - your father's name should appear below

1. Name Mary Francis Bardy
Place of birth Indianapolis Ind date 9-2-16
Number of years of schooling 10 Occupation Nurses Aid
Residence Indpls Ind Marital Status Widow
Number of children 6 Death

2. Name Marguette Jean Bardy
Place of birth Indpls Ind date 8-22-19
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Housewife
Residence Indpls Ind Marital Status Married
Number of children 3 Death

3. Name Richard Joseph Bardy
Place of birth Indpls Ind date 5-26-24
Number of years of schooling 9 Occupation Plumber
Residence Indpls. Ind. Marital Status Married
Number of children 5 Death

4. Name Virginia Ann Bardy
Place of birth Indpls. Ind date 9-19-28
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Housewife
Residence Indpls. Ind. Marital Status Married
Number of children 4 death

5. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children Death

6. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

7. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

8. Name
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Residence Marital Status
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9. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

10. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

CHILDREN of C and D (or C-2, D-2)-your mother's name should appear below

. Name Amelia Maria Gole
Place of birth Cingle. date 3-28-22
Number of years of schooling 10 Occupation Housewife
Residence Westfield Mass. Marital Status Married
Number of children 6 death

. Name Josephine Louise Gole
Place of birth Cingle. Ind. date 6-30-23
Number of years of schooling 10 Occupation Housewife
Residence Schenectady N.Y. Marital Status Married
Number of children 10 death 1

. Name Joseph Louis Gole
Place of birth Cingle Ind. date 8-20-25
Number of years of schooling 9 Occupation Factory Worker
Residence Cingle Ind. Marital Status Married
Number of children 4 death 1

4. Name Elizabeth Gole
Place of birth Cingle. Ind. date 11-25-27
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Housewife
Residence Cingle. Ind. Marital Status Married
Number of children 7 death

5. Name Anna Victoria Gole
Place of birth Cingle. Ind. date 5-22-30
Number of years of schooling 10 Occupation Housewife
Residence Cingle. Ind. Marital Status Married
Number of children 5 death

6. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

7. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

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10. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

Your Father

Name Richard Joseph Bardy Current Residence Indpls. Ind.

Date of birth 5-26-24 Place of birth Indpls. Ind.

Date of Death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school 9 vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Setting Pins in Bowling Alleys 1936 1st Brownsburg Ind. Dates 1938

2nd Canning Factory Dates 1938 2nd Steward St. Indy Dates 1950

3rd Stock Hand Dates 1940 3rd 30th Indy Dates 1951

4th Plumber Dates 1940 4th 357 c 18th Indy Dates 1955
3351 E Edgewood Indy 1966

Religion Catholic

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Republican

Place of marriage to your mother St. Roch's Indy date 3-19-49

NOTE: If you were raised by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (E-2)

Your Mother

Name Anna Victoria Gole Current Residence Indpls. Ind.

Date of birth 5-22-30 Place of birth Indpls. Ind.

Date of death _____ Place of burial _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school 11 vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Sales Lady Dates 1945 1st West Or. Indy Dates 1945

2nd Sales Lady H.P. Wasson Dates 1946 2nd Steward St. Indy Dates 1950

3rd Sales Lady County Station Dates 1947 3rd 30th Indy Dates 1951

4th Sales Lady H.P. Wasson Dates 1948 4th 357 c 18th Indy Dates 1955
3351 E. Edgewood Indy 1966

Religion Catholic

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Republican

Place of marriage to your father St. Roch's date 3-19-49

NOTE: If you were raised by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (F-2).

CHILDREN OF E AND F (or E-2,F-2) -YOUR NAME SHOULD APPEAR BELOW

. Name Ann Bardy
Place of birth Dolphs. Ind. Date of birth 9-29-49
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Housewife
Residence Frankford Ill. Marital Status Married
Number of children 1 death

. Name Richard Joseph Bardy
Place of birth Dolphs. Ind. Date of birth 3-30-51
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Plumber
Residence Dolphs Ind. Marital Status Married
Number of children 1 death

3. Name Patrick Michael Bardy
Place of birth Dolphs. Ind. Date of birth 6-18-55
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Plumber
Residence Dolphs Ind. Marital Status Married
. Number of children 1 death

4. Name Carol Sue Bardy
Place of birth Dolphs. Ind. Date of birth 5-15-56
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation House Keeper at Rehoff Ch
Residence Dolphs. Ind. Marital Status Single
Number of children death

5. Name Dennis James Bardy
Place of birth Dolphs Ind. Date of birth 10-10-57
Number of years of schooling 13 Occupation Construction
Residence Rockford Ill. Marital Status Single
Number of children death

6. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

7. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

8. Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children death

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I hereby donate this family history, along with all literary and administrative rights, to the Rock Valley College Family History Collection, deposited in the Rockford Public Library, Rockford Illinois

Signed Dennis James Bardy

Date March 31 1977

Dennis James Bandy
Born: 10-10-57
Married:
Died:

Richard Joseph Bandy
Father
B 5-26-24
M 3-19-49
D

Richard Joseph Bandy
Grandfather
B 6-12-92
M 11-22-15
D 12-17-63

M
D

Margret
B
D 1938

Fedelia Dixon
Grandmother
B 9-25-96
D 8-26-58

Elmer Dixon
B
M
D

Anna "Budie" Harrison
B
D

Anna Victoria Kole
Mother
B 5-22-30
D

Joseph Louis Kole
Grandfather
B 3-14-94
M 0-0-21
D 7-16-71

B
M
D

B
D

Amelia Metelko
Grandmother
B 12-28-1900
D 2-18-45

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D

PREFACE

The main problem I have had with writing this paper was the writings on my parents brothers and sisters. My fathers side of the family was the main problem since my father refused to discuss in great detail about his parents lives, his sisters lives and even his own life. He and his sister, Margrette, refused to discuss their immediate family. My mothers side of the family was more than willing, however, I could not contact Molly Green.

Sources

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   Joseph L. Golc,Jr.
   Elisabeth Elder
   Josephine Hornbach
   Margrette Lawson

2. Vital Records

3. Photographs

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Richard Joseph Bardy was born on June 12, 1892 to Frank and Margrette Bardy,immigrants from Vissey, France. Frank was a sculpture whose talents were called upon by the church to do statues in churches. Margrette was a simple housewife in the town of Cincinati, Ohio. Richard, however, didn't choose his fathers interest in sculpturing but instead choose the trade of plumbing. He moved to Indianapolis, Indiana as a young adult of twenty-one where he lived out the remainder of his life.

Richard met Fedelia Dixon and began courting her in the year of 1914. In the year of 1915 he approached her mother and father and asked for her hand in marriage.They were married on November the 22nd , 1915. Fedelia Dixon had been born to Elmer Dixon and Anna on September 25, 1896. She grew up in an upper middle class family in Indianapolis, Indiana. She lived, married, had children and finally died in Indianapolis. When she was nineteen a Richard Bardy began courting her and on November 22, 19.5 she married him in Sacred Heart Church. T he very next year their first child arrived. She was born on September 2, 1916 and given the name Mary Francis. A second girl was born on August 22, 1919. She was christened Margrette Jean. Their third child was their one and only boy. He was born on May 26, 1924 and was given the name Richard Joseph Jr. Their last child was born on September 19, 1928 and was given the name Virginia Ann. In 1955 they celebrated their 46 th wedding anniversary with the reason being she was having failing health and might never see their 50th. They were right because on August 26th

in the year of our Lord 1958 she died in her sleep.

Richard, with the absence of his wife, grew less and less interested in his business. Because of this his health soon declined and on December 17 in the year of our Lord 1963 he died of a stroke and was burried next to his wife in Calvary Cemetary.

Mary Francis Bardy was born on September 19, 1916. She recieved ten years of formal education and recieved additional education as a nurses aide. She worked as a nurses aide for the rest of her life. On November 22,1937 she married Charles Gates, a plumber by trade. The union produced six children, one girl and five boys. Her first child and only girl was Sharon, born in 1940. Sharon is married, a housewife and mother of five; three girls and two boys. Shelly is fifteen, Donald is twelve, Lisa is ten, Angie is eight and Mark is six.

Mary Gates second child was born in 1942 and was christened Mike. Mike was married for eleven years and had three children, but lost them to his wife through a divorce.

Mary Gates third child, Christopher, was born in 1948. He is now married to a recent immigrant from Scotland whose name is Helen. They have two boys named Craig and Brian.

Mary Gates fourth child was born in 1951. His name is Clifford and he is married and has two children, Jennifer who is three and Jeffery who is one.

The last two boys born to Mary Gates was David in 1953 and Raymond in 1955. In August in the year of our Lord 1970 Charles, Mary's husband, passed away of a heart attack.

Margrette Jean Bardy was born on August 22, 1919. She lives in Indianapolis, Indiana where she recieved twelve years of formal education and was married on November 22, 1940 to Charles Lawson whose trade was plumbing. This union created three children, two boys and one girl. Their first child was born on February 28, 1942. He was given the name Steven and is now married and has two childre, Douglas thirteen and Laura eleven. The second child of this marriage was born on November 8, 1945 and given the name Jeffery. He is now married and has two children, Mike 8 and Shelly 6. The third and final child of Margrette and Charles Lawson was a girl born on March 10, 1950. Christine is not married but involved in nursing.

Richard J. Bardy, Jr., was born on May 26, 1924. He grew up with a curosity for horses and for his fathers trade. His fathers business being very prosperous he owned land in Marion and Anderson County, a cottage, a business building and the house in which he lived. Vacations were spent at the cottage fishing, swimming, hiking and hunting. Richard and Fedelia also took trips to Florida to get away from the business and children. However, the depression of the thirties had caused his business to all but fold up. He lost everything but the business building and his house. He wanted desperately to buy a horse for his son, but instead of buying a horse he arranged for his son to work at a livery stable in the County of Brownsberg. The job was tough with long hours but Richard Jr. was a hard worker with a goal in mind. Towards the middle of the summer in 1938 he had enough

money saved to buy a quarter horse and a few of the accessories needed. What he could not afford he stole and in the end he had pieced togather all the equipment needed to participate in the local rodeos. When the summer ended he put the horse up ar the stables in which he had worked and returned to Indianapolis. He returned to school being a Freshman, but became tired of school, quit and worked in a tomato cannery. He worked at this job until 1942. When he was seventeen he entered the Navy. He finished his basic training at Great Lakes Naval Training Station and was transported overseas to the communication ship "Blueridge". On the ship he had various assignments ranging from communication personnel, ack-ack gunner and on to large gun personnel. His next and last assignment in the South Pacific was on a rocket boat, similar to a P.T. boat but instead of having torpedoes had rockets and a fifty caliber gun as its armament. His job was to pilot the craft through the shallow waters of the islands and at the same time fire the rockets at the enemy supply barges. He had gone into war thinking it glorious and came back with malaria and a few bad dreams. The malaria bothered him for a few years after the war, but the dreams even now plague his mind. After the war he began working for his father as a plumber and lived with his parents. In the year of 1948 Richard met Anna Victoria Golc, fell in love and married her on March 19, 1949 in Saint Rocks Church.

Virginia Ann Bardy was born on September 19, 1928. She lived in Indianapolis, Indiana until 1972 when she moved with her husband, Bud Kissener to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. While

in Indiana she recisved twelve years of formal education and married on November 22, 1950. This marriage produced four children, one girl and three boys. Cathy, the oldest, was born in 1951 and is not married. Frankie, the oldest boy, was born in 1953. Virginia's next two boys, Billy born in 1955 and Tommy born in 1962 still live at home with their mother and father in Florida.

Joseph Lewis Golc was born March 14, 1894. He was a farmers son in the village of Polhov Grade, Yougoslavia. He at the time was under control of the kingdom of Serbs, Croates, and Sovenes. In June of 1913 at the age of twenty he had acquired enough money to leave his village and travel to Bremen, Germany where he boarded the vessel "Kaiser Wilhelm" and was transported to the port of New York in the state of New York. He went through Ellis Island as thousands of immigrants had done before him. He was accepted into America by the authorities and with his voyage across the Atlantic over he traveled to Indianapolis, Indiana to live with friends. He made a Delcaration of Intent from the Labor Department and began his work as a mud packer. Working for thirty-seven dollars and week he would pack mud around furnaces to keep in the heat when they were firing. With his weekly income he acquired a home at 3015 West Tenth Street. With Mrs. William Saxsic and _____Metelko an introduction was arranged and a courtship began between Joseph Golc and Amelia Metelko. Ameilia was born on December 28, 1900 in Raka, Yougoslavia. She was a daughter of a farmer and later inherited the farm from her father which she in turn gave to her older brother when she came to America. She and another brother went to Trieste, Italy where they boarded the ship U.S.S. President Grant. This happened in the year of 1918. She and her brother landed in New York where they went through Ellis Island, and then on to Indianapolis, Indiana to live with friends. In 1920 she met Joseph Golc and on June 12 of that year they were joined togather in Holy Matrimony. The marriage produced five children, four girls and one boy.

The first child was born on March 28, 1922 and christened Amelia Maria. Their second girl, Josephine Louise, was born on June 30, 1923. Their third child and the only boy was born on August 20, 1925 and was given his fathers name, Joseph Lewis. The third girl, Elisabeth, was born on September 25, 1927. The last child of this union was born on May 22, 1930 and was given the name Anna Victoria.

With Joseph's income being thirty-seven dollars weekly, Amelia and the children working in the garden and raising cows, the financial status of the family was middle class. But the family had their problems as Joseph was a heavy drinker and had the brewery truck stop at the house to deliver at regular intervals. He for some unexplained reason was considerably hard on the girls but at the same time was very lenient with his only son. The final act of the marriage came in 1931 when he became very violent, started beating the girls and finally lost control of his mind. He was taken from his home in chains and was put in Central State Mental Institution until 1946 when he was released. After his release he worked in a bowling alley doing general maintenance until 1957 when he was returned to Central State Institution. He remained there until his death, due to a stroke, on July 16 in the year of our Lord 1971.

Amelia with her husbands absence had to raise the family with little or no help. She got a divorce from her husband a year after his first admittance into the mental institution. She grew harder on the children while trying to keep them and the house. In 1935 a very rich couple were planning a return

trip to Yugoslavia. They had grown very fond of Elisabeth and Anna and wanted to adopt them and take them with them, but Mrs. Golc would not accept their offer. In 1937 Amsilia got her citizenship with her daughter Anna serving as her witness. On February 18 in the year of our Lord 1945 the job of raising a family had grown too much and she passed away and was burried at Saint Josephs Cemetery next to her husband.

Amsilia Maria Golc, called Molly, was born on February 28, 1922 with the help of a mid-wife, Mrs. Stevens. She recieved ten years of education and then was married in early 1946 to an Airforce Major. Her husband forced her brothers and sisters to leave the house of their late mothers. After this split in the family, Molly and her husband, Robert Green, sold the house, gave the money to the children and moved to Westfield, Massachusetts. Once there they had six children. Robert took the position of a professor at a college.

Josephine Louise Golc was born on June 30, 1923, She recieved ten years of formal education and then at the age of 23 in the year of 1945 she married Charles Hornbach. She lived in Indianapolis, Indiana with her husband until 1956. During this time she had six children, four boys and two girls. Charles J. was born on June 16, 1946 and now works for the state of New York as a computer programmer. Janice was born on April 10,1948 and she now works for the state of New York in Urban planning. John was born on December 28, 1949 and he is now a teacher on Cutty Hunk Island off the coast of Massachusetts. He has six students and to get to the mainland he must take a ferry. Their fourth child, Thomas, was born on May 22, 1951 and is now living in Brazil. Carl

was born on October 4, 1953. His sister Mary Theresa was born on May 13, 1955 and died July 26 in the year of our Lord 1955 due to crib death. The family then moved to Schenectady, New York. Once there four more children were born. Mary Louise on November 6, 1957. She is currenctly in her Sophomore year at college. Paul Gerald was born on March 19, 1959. Ellen Ann was born November 1, 1960 and their last child Michael James was born August 1, 1964.

Joseph Lewis Golc, Jr., was born on August 20, 1925. His earliest recollection of his father was when he went to school for the first time. He pleaded with his father not to make him go, but his father was strict about education for the children. If Joseph were not in school his jobs around the house included all heavy labor, going to the railroad tracks to collect any coal that fell from the cars and any loose railroad ties that could be used for the kitchen stove. His jobs away from the home included digging ditches by hand, and picking beans for a penny a pound. His little passtime was spent listening to the Gilette radio fights and playing a Slovenian game called Relieva, much like freeze tag. In 1942 he tried to enlist in the army but because of an earlier injury to the eye he was turned down. He later tried and was accepted into the Sea Bees. He spent his enlistment in the South Pacific where he met his sisters husband, Robert Green. After the war he returned, met and married Doris _____, in 1946. Their first child was christened Joseph Lewis III and was born March 28, 1947. He grew to be drafted into the army in November 1968, was married on May 26, 1969 and died

in battle in September of that same year. He had been married to his wife, Brenda, less than four months. Joseph and Doris's second child, Paula, was born on July 13, 1949. Paula continued her education to become a dental hygienist and married in August 1971 to Wayne Hott who later became a dentist. He joined the Air Force and is now a Captain. They had three children. The first was lost at birth, the second was born in 1974 and named Brian. Christina was born just six months ago. The third and fourth children of Joseph and Doris Golc were twins named Jeanna and Jeffery. They were born on July 16, 1953. Jeanna was married December 18, 1971 and she and her husband, Virgil Wright, had three children. The first two died at birth. The third, Rusty, was born in 1976. Jeffery is now working on his Masters Degree at Indiana University in Business Administration.

Elisabeth Golc was born on November 25, 1927. Her earliest recollection of her family life was when she played with her sister, Anna, who was in the crib. Her basic job around the house when she was young was to keep her little sister company while the rest of the family were at work. Elisabeth was the only member of the family to graduate from high school. On September 1, 1951 she married Jack Elder at Saint Rocks church. They had six children, four girls and two boys. Their first born was a girl on June 11, 1952 christened Barbara who later married David Alldener on July 29, 1972. This marriage produced one child, Michael, born on September 25,1976. Jack and Elsie, as Elisbeth was often called, had their second child, a girl born on March 9, 1954 and named

Ann. She currently has a Bachlor of Arts Degree in Business Marketing. The third child of this union was the first of two boys named John and born on July 16, 1956. He grew to be a very large man standing six foot six inches tall and weighing two hundred thirty pounds. He plays football for a large University in Indiana and is currently working on his social degree at Ball State University. Elsie's next child was a girl born on January 19, 1958 named Nancy. She is currently working at Riley Hospital in therapy and is enrolled in I.V. Technical Medical School. The next two children of Jack and Elsie Elder were both girls; Beth born on August 30, 1959 and Sara born Bebruary 2, 1962. Their last child was a boy born November 8, 1968 and given the name Christopher.

Anna Victoria Golc was born May 22, 1930 at her home as were her other brothers and sisters and delivered by a midwife, Mrs. Stevens. The last of four girls and the last ofthe family of five she had to be looked after by her older sisters. Her constant companion and playmate was her older sister Elisabeth. They being close in age would play togather in the park across the street and years later would go to the cinema togather. Their main jobs around the house were to keep each other occupied and to transfer the family cows to different vacant lots for feeding. In early childhood Anna was taken ill with rheumatic fever which in later life caused heart problems. Even with her poor health she helped with such chores as harvesting and storing the hay. She had eleven years of formal education but in the absence of her father and the

death of her mother when she was fifteen she quit school in order to get a job to support herself. She lived in her deceased mothers house until 1946 when she and her sister Elsie moved to West Drive, a very small distance from her original birthplace. She lived with her sister at this residence until 1948 when she met Richard Joseph Bardy, Jr., fell in love and was married to him on March 19, 1949. The marriage produced five children, three boys and two girls. Their first child was a girl born September 29, 1949. The next child was a boy christened Richard Joseph III born on March 30, 1951. Their next child was a boy also, Patrick Michael born on July 18, 1955. Carol Sue was their last girl born on May 15, 1956. Their last child born on October 10, 1957 was christened Dennis James.

Richard J. Bardy Jr. and Anna Victoria Golc were married on March 19, 1949. Vickie's friends had told her to stay away from him although he had come from a much richer family because they said he was too old for her and that they just didn't like him. However, they were married and lived with his parents. While there they had their first child. He worked as a plumber for his father and she tended the household duties. They remained there until 1950. They then took up residence on Steward Street where they lived until 1951. This house proved too small for their growing family. They moved to a large apartment on Thirtieth Street and while living there Richard J. II was born on March 30, 1951. They remained there for four more years. While living there Richard Jr. began working for himself and continued until 1946, when he dropped his Masters in plumbing and took up his Journeyman. In 1955 the young couple began building their own home on Eighteenth Street which was completed and moved into for their third child to be born in. Patrick M. was born on June 18, 1955. Two more children were born in this house; Carol S. on May 15, 1956 and Dennis J. on October 10, 1957. Also Richard Jr. business in plumbing had grown to include two employees and four Apprentice. It was in this house that Vickie's problems developed. She seemed to be in and out of the hospital frequently. The main problem was a weakened heart which developed complications. Her problems continued at their new home on Edgewood Avenue which had been bought in 1966. It was at this time that she developed cancer

and was admitted into the hospital for three months where she recieved treatments and finally surgery. After her stay in the hospital she returned home for two years. Then returned to the hospital to have open heart surgery. This required a shorter stay in the hospital but was a highly ~~and~~ dangerous and complicated operation. She was operated on and recovered. She and her husband now are in the midst of remodeling their home and working in the family garden.

Ann Bardy was born on September 29, 1949. She was a two month premature baby and had to remain in the hospital for two months until she was deemed healthy enough to bring home. Her father had never given her a middle name because he felt since she was so small she should have a small name. Even today she is a very petite lady standing five foot tall and weighing around ninety pounds.She was the only child to live in the four different residences that the family had moved to. Since she was the first of the children education and religion were stressed. She finished twelve years of formal education with a high grade average and is still involved in the Catholic church. She is the oldest and had to take on some of the chores around the house. Her main jobs were to take care of the youngest children, wash dishes and dusting and occassionally sweeping the house. As she grew older her mother was in the hospital and her jobs increased to taking care of the entire household. Because of this when she graduated she had little or no experience for a full or part time position. Luckily she had taken secretarial training in high school so she got a job as a secretary in a life insurance company. In 1968 she met

a college student named Michael Hurley. He at the time was going to Purdue University to get his degree in engineering. He was almost two years her senior being born on December 13, 1947. They were married in a small church in Morresville on March 29, 1969. The new husband and wife took up residence in an old house recently converted into apartments. They lived in this apartment for three years and then in 1972 moved to Michigan where her husband had his first engineering job. In May two years later they moved to Rickton Park, Illinois where Mike had gotten another job for a different firm. While in this apartment an addition to the family came. Joanna was born on January 9, 1975. The family then moved again in January of 1977 to a house of their own in Frankfort, Illinois and still live in this house today. She is a housewife and mother and he an engineer.

Richard Joseph Bardy III was born on March 30, 1951. He was a healthy infant taken from the hospital only days after his birth. He was born with blonde hair which later turned coal black. As was his nature continually into mischief with of against his older sister. As he grew older he played in sports as most kids did, but had a natural ability as a football player. His freshman year at high school a swimming accident pinched a nerve in his neck and stopped his life of athletics all togather. It was feared that he would be paralyzed from the neck down but he recovered with no ill side effects. He finished his formal education of twelve years almost by force. He was never interested in academics before, only enough to get by. His teachers had informed him that unless he brought

his grade average up they would fail him in his senior year. He had been doing poorly in almost every class and at the end of his senior year he graduated with a high "B" average proving to his teachers and himself that he only needed the desire. After his graduation he met Laura Seyfried in early 1969. She the youngest of four girls born on December 12, 1952. In 1970 on October 3o they were married at Saint Marks Church, he at nineteen and she at eighteen. Their first residence togather was in a small low rent apartment on Betsy Lane. This was all they could afford since he was an apprentice plumber and she was a sales girl for Sears. They lived in this apartment until 1972 when she was promoted to assistant manager. Because of this promotion and financial increase they moved to a larger apartment in Greenfield, Indiana. While living in Greenfield on June 11, 1973 they were blessed with a boy given the name of Brian Richard. They lived in this apartment until 1976 when they bought a small house in Indianapolis and still live there today.

Patrick Michael Bardy was born on June 18, 1955. Almost as soon as he could walk he became the inseparable friend of his older brother as they still are today. He had tried to follow his older brother's example in sports but he too was injured and had to drop football as a sport. He had to drop football but notatheletics entirely. He began to run cross-country and track and was soon considered one of the best in this sport. When he entered high school he lost his interest in sports and became interested in academics, pulling "A's" and "B's" all four years. After high school he took up

plumbing as a trade as his older brother, father, uncle and grandfather had done. He works in an office as an estimater for Shambaugh Plumbing while his father, working for the same firm, works as a supervisor in the field. He worked for three years while also going to school for his journeyman in plumbing. He lived at home until he was twenty-one when he married Julie Looney. She was the oldest of eight children and two years his junior being born on September 21, 1956. They were married on May 21, 1976 and spent their honeymoon sight-seeing for two weeks. He had purchased a house before their marriage so they could return from their honeymoon and move right in. They still live there today. She is a secretary for the Prosecuting Attorneys Office and he a plumber. The couple are expecting a baby in September of this year 1977.

Carol Sue Bardy was born on May15, 1956. She was a very sickly baby but grew to be a healthy child and the most beautiful of all the children. Also she grew to have a great compassion for animals taking care of all the animals in our suburban home. In her early school years it was found she was retarded but in my estimation she may not have the acadamic skills but her skill with animals is unsurpassed. No matter what the animal she seemed to know how to take care of them. She was taking care of chickens, ducks, roosters, rabbits, cats but her main love is dogs. It doesn't matter the breed, size or color she loves all types and maybe because of her affection they return their affection. Today and everyday she takes care of her current pets, two pedigree beagles and one mutt. To her they are almost human. No matter

what the weather or her health, every night she feeds and waters her pets making sure they are comfortable for the night. One thing is agreed upon in the family, she is their owner and master and no one dares speak harshly to her when her dogs are present for if her dogs were to sense an attack on their master the attacker would soon become the prey of the dogs. We all agree that the dogs learned a lot of show tricks but also agreed they are spoiled by her. One dog will not eat unless it is hand fed and that takes up to an hour to do. She is contat to stand for that time with her dogs, pets and friends.

My only hope for her is that she continues to have that fond affection for animals and I also hope that man although with his higher I.Q. sees that she is the one true utopia.

I was born on October 19, 1957, the biggest and healthiest baby of the family. I had coal black hair at birth but as I grew older it became blond, just the opposite of my brother Richards. My most vivid image as a child was how my brothers, Pat and Rick, would scheme with me but mostly against me. This has changed with time but there is still a slight barrier between us. I never had my brothers set above me as examples but was able to set my own liberal standards. In school I was never interested in adademics but became interested in sports. I have played every major sport possible including baseball, basketball, cross-country and track. My main love is wrestling and football, football in particular. Football to me was expressed as being the only

sport for a person to release any feeling from agression to hate.One thing I would stress to any high school athelete would be to protect your knees at all cost. I didn't and today I am plagued with crutches in the winter and arthritis all year round. I also have the same interests in hunting as my father has. I believe that hunting sports,and now me away at college has caused my father and I to become very close. He is not just a father to me but a companion and a dear friend. My mother was and even now as always complaining about my participation in sports and my liberal views on such things as the government, the law, marriage and religion. In the future I have two interests: my main one is to become a biology teacher and my second interest is in politics. Although slightly different they both interest and intrigue me. Presently I am very interested in my academics since I enjoy the challanges of my college classes.

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Richard and Fedelia Bardy on their forty-fifth wedding anniversary with their children.
left to right: Virginia, Richard Jr., Margrette and Mary

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The entire family at Richard and Fedelia Bardy's forty-fifth wedding anniversary. Left to right:
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Third row: Mrs. Vickie Bardy, Mrs. Vriginia Kissener, Richard Bardy Sr., Mrs. Fedelia Bardy, Mrs. Mary Gates, Mrs. Margrette Lawson

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Richard Bardy Jr.'s First Communion Scroll

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Richard Bardy Jr., in foreground on his horse "Toy" in the Brownsberg Rodeo

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Description of U.S.S. "Blueridge", the ship Richard Bardy jr. was stationed on.

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Richard Bardy Jr. on leave in military dress blues

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The yellow marked house and barn was Joseph and Amelia Gates first and only house. Notice the garden behind the house also in yellow. Any vacant lot in the neighborhood was used as a pasture for the cows.

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Joseph Golc Jr. in 1932 the year of his communion. Notice the knickers

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Anna Victoria Golc in 1948 just one year before her marriage

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Mr. & Mrs. Richard J. Bardy Jr. with the children. Left to right: Richard III, Ann, Patrick in 1955

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Dennis J. Bardy at 18 in 1976. This is his high school senior picture.

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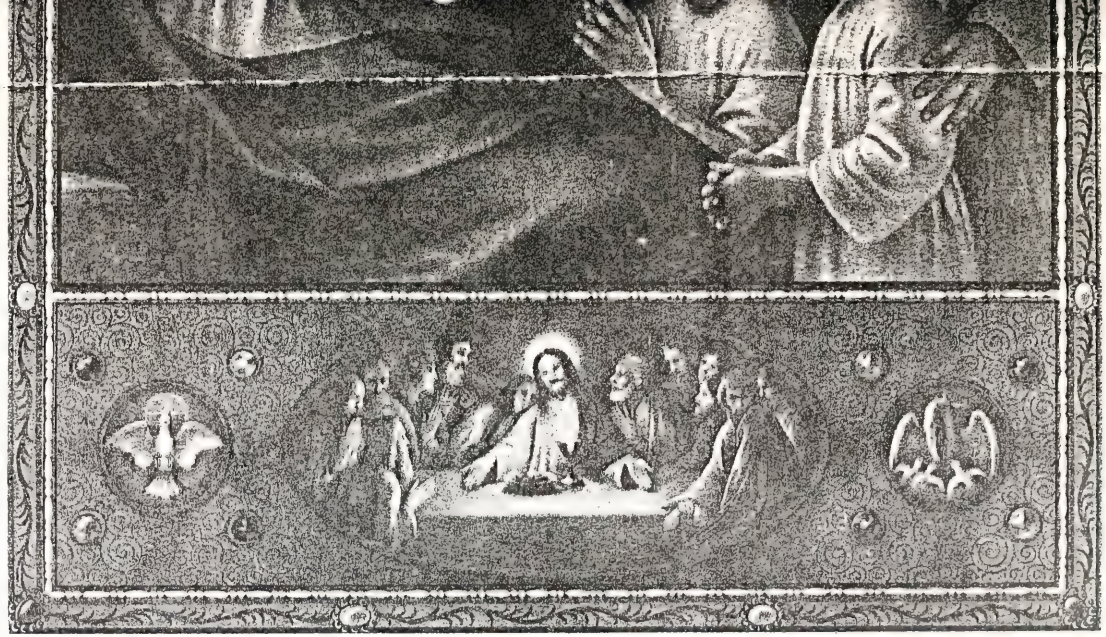

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Remembrance of First Holy Communion

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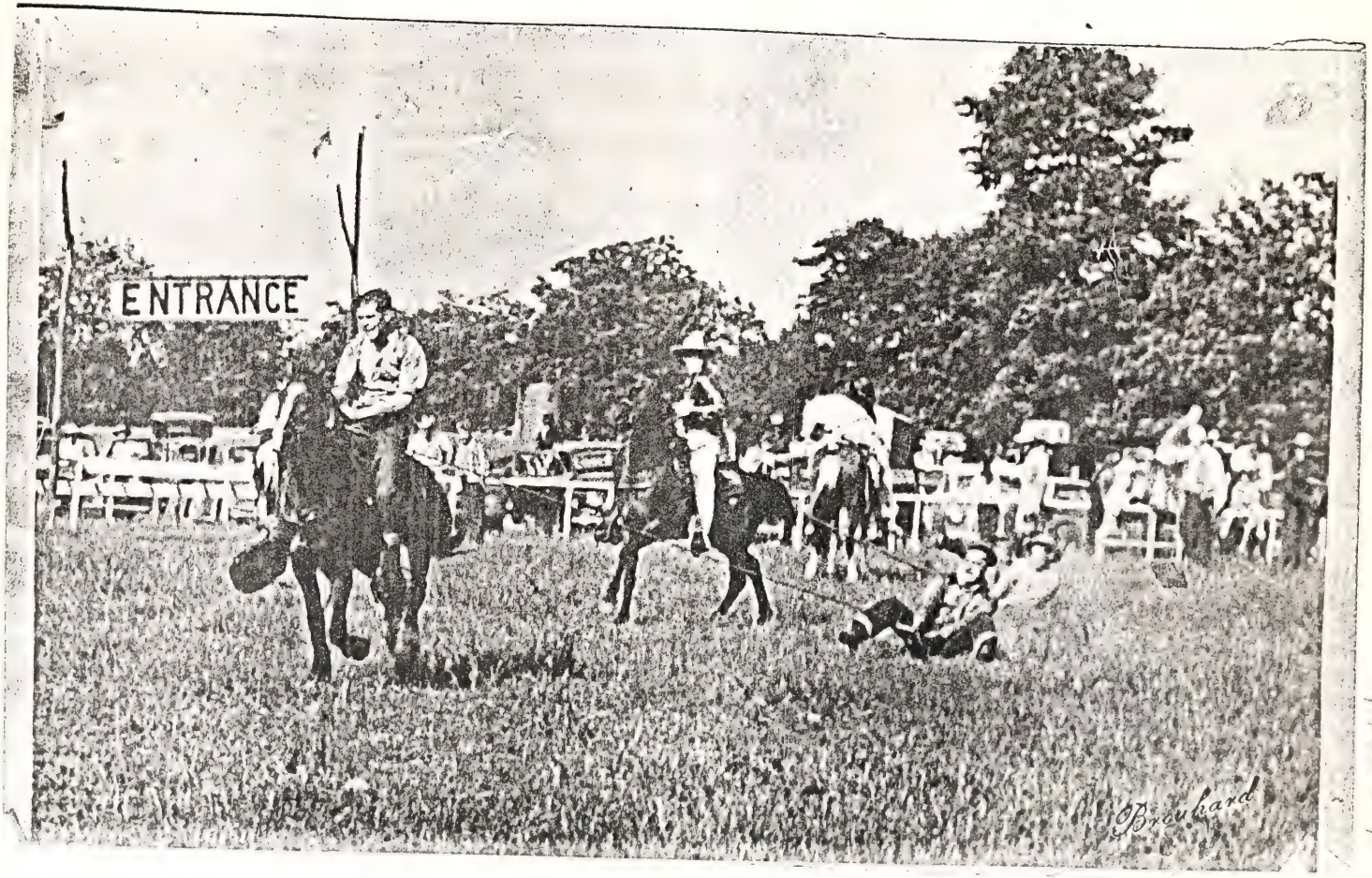
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Blue Ridge

The Blue Ridge is the southeasternmost ridge of the Appalachian Mountains in Virginia and North Carolina.

I

(AP: T. 1606; l. 269'2"; b. 38'2"; dr. 12'; s. 16.5 k.; cpl. 87)

The first *Blue Ridge* (No. 2432), a transport, was built in 1891 as *Virginia* by Globe Iron Works, Cleveland, Ohio; purchased at Manitowoc, Wis., 19 April 1918; and commissioned 17 October 1918, Lieutenant Commander E. S. Ells, USNR, in command.

Blue Ridge arrived at Boston Navy Yard 28 December 1918 from the Great Lakes and remained there under repair until sold 21 August 1919. She was renamed *Avalon* 18 August 1919.

II

(AGC–2: dp. 7431; l. 459'3"; b. 63'; dr. 24'; s. 16.4 k.; cpl. 506; a. 2 5"; cl. *Appalachian*)

The second *Blue Ridge* (AGC–2) was launched 7 March 1943 by Federal Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co., Kearny, N. J., under a Maritime Commission contract; sponsored by Mrs. David Arnott; transferred to the Navy 15 March 1943; and commissioned 27 September 1943, Commander L. R. McDowell in command.

Blue Ridge departed the east coast 1 November 1943 for the South Pacific to become flagship, 7th Amphibious Force. For most of 1944 she cruised in waters around New Caledonia, New Guinea, and eastern Australia. After taking part in the landings at Leyte (20–26 October 1944) and the invasion of Lingayen Gulf, Luzon (9–14 January 1945), she remained in the Philippines until 16 June 1945. She arrived at Pearl Harbor 28 June for overhaul and returned to the Far East 8 September.

Blue Ridge served in the Western Pacific in support of the occupation, returning to San Pedro, Calif., 18 March 1946. She underwent preparations for Operation Crossroads and then departed San Francisco with observers 12 June 1946 and arrived off Bikini on the 29th. She remained in the area for both atomic tests and departed 30 July. She arrived at San Francisco 15 August. Placed out of commission in reserve at San Diego 14 March 1947, she has since remained a part of the Pacific Reserve Fleet.

Blue Ridge received two battle stars for her operations in the Philippines.

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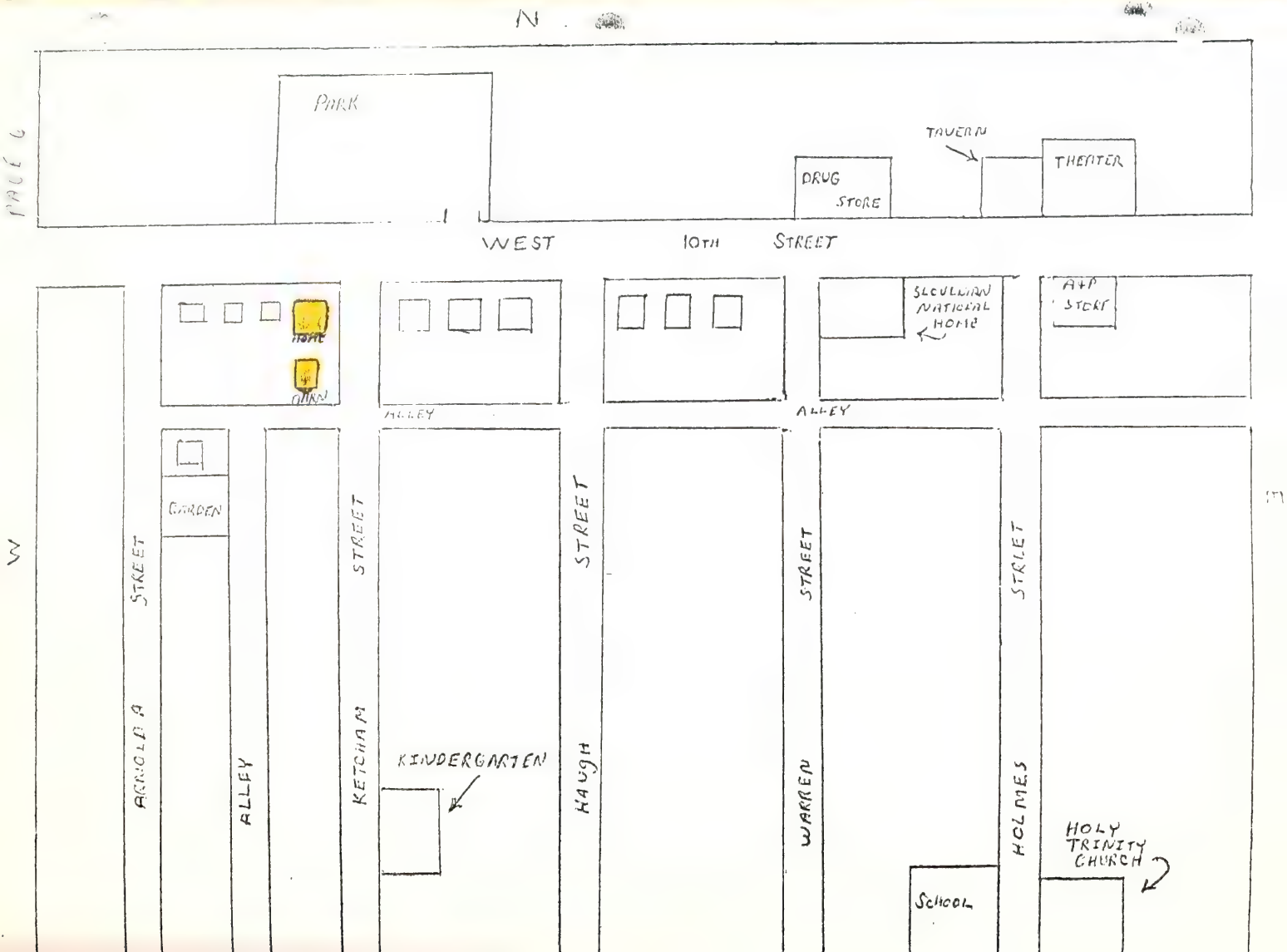
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Form 2203

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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[To be given to the person making the Declaration.]

No. 8929

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

☞ **Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof**

State of Indiana
County of Marion } ss: Hotel Joe

In the Marion Circuit Court of Indianapolis, Ind.

I, Joseph Goli, aged 30 years, occupation ~~h~~, do declare on oath that my personal description is: Color white, complexion dark, height 5 feet 2 inches, weight 150 pounds, color of hair dark, color of eyes brown other visible distinctive marks none

I was born in Polhow Gradec, Jugo Slavia on the 14th day of March, anno Domini 1894; I now reside at 3015 West 10th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.
(Give number, street, city or town, and State.)

I emigrated to the United States of America from Bremen, Germany on the vessel Kaiser, Wilhelm 2; my last foreign residence was Polhow Gradec Jugo Slavia, I am married; the name of my {wife / husband} is Amelia Goli; {she / he} was born at Raka Jugo Slavia and now resides at 3015 West 10th Street, Indianapolis, Ind.
(If the alien arrived otherwise than by vessel, the character of conveyance or name of transportation company should be given)

It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Kingdom of Serbs Croats & Slovenes, of whom I am now a subject; I arrived at the port of New York, in the State of New York, on or about the 19th day of June 13, anno Domini 1913; I am not an anarchist; I am not a polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein: SO HELP ME GOD.

[signature]
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of said Court this 9th day of October, anno Domini 1924

[SEAL]

Albert H. Losche
Clerk of the Marion Circuit Court.

By M. F. Mahoney, Dep. Clerk.

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We drove over 2600 miles all over Jugoslavia. We drove into Rakas, the town our mother came from, and no one speak english so we went to the school house, one teacher spoke english. We told her we were looking for relatives of my mother and all we knew about were an uncle & aunt, found out they are both dead but a cousin was living on the old farm. he is the son of another brother of Moms. he & his wife and 5 children live there. they really were so surprised to see us. I remember a little slovenian so we got along just fine. I'll write more later and send you some pictures of them and the chapel on their land that they take care of. Hope to get to Indianapolis this summer. Love to all

Molly

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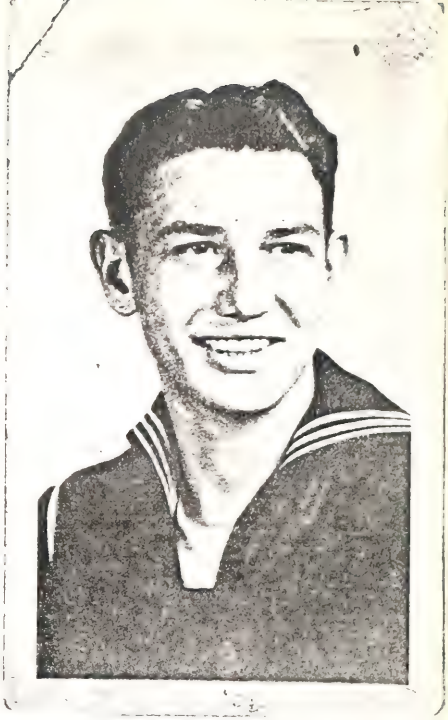

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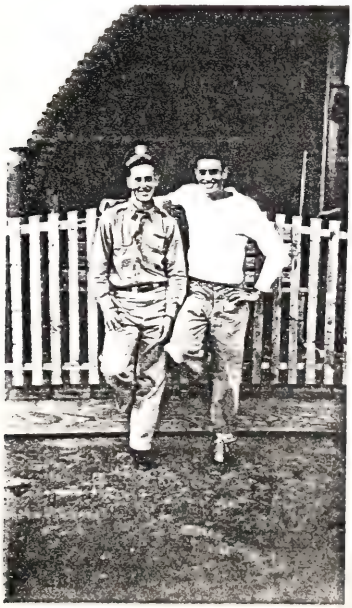

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BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS

Certificate of Birth Registration

This Certifies that, a certificate of birth is on file at this office

bearing the name ANNA VICTORIA GOLC

Born at 3015 WEST 10 STREET Father's Name JOE GOLC

on MAY 22 19 30 Mother's Name AMELIA GOLC

No. of Certificate 2766

Signed A G Morgan
Commissioner of Health.

BIRTH CERTIFICATE

OF

Victoria Golo

BORN May22 19 30

PRESERVE THIS CAREFULLY

MANY PRIVILEGES, RIGHTS AND DUTIES IN CIVIL AND BUSINESS LIFE ARE MADE TO HINGE ON THE DATE OF BIRTH—(SCHOOL, EMPLOYMENT, MILITARY SERVICE, SUFFRAGE, CONTRACT, MARRIAGE, INHERITANCE, ETC.)

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This is to certify
that on the 19th day of March
in the year of our Lord
Nineteen hundred forty-nine
Richard J. Baldy Jr.
of Indianapolis, Ind.
and
Victoria Ann Golc
of Indianapolis, Ind.

WERE BY ME UNITED
IN
MARRIAGE

at St. Roch's R.C. Church, Indpls, Ind.
according to the ORDINANCE OF GOD and the laws
of the State of Indiana

Rev. Omer Bruck, O.F.M.
Pastor

Witnesses { Charles Gatis
Elsie Golc

THE HOLT CONCERN INC. WARREN, OHIO

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Certificate of Marriage

INDIANA, TO-WIT: HANCOCK COUNTY, ss:

THIS CERTIFIES, *That I joined in marriage, as husband and wife,*

Richard J. Bardy Jr.

and Victoria Ann Gole

on the 19th *day of* March 1949

Rev. Omer Bruck O.F.M.

Official Position Pastor of St. Roch's C

(Detach this bottom Certificate and present to the contracting parties.)

Marriage License

State of Indiana, To-Wit: Hancock County, ss.

To All who shall see these Presents, Greeting:

Know Ye, that any person empowered by law to solemnize Marriages is hereby authorized to join together as Husband and Wife Richard J. Bardy Jr. and Victoria Ann Gole and for so doing this shall be his sufficient authority.

In Testimony Whereof, I, Gerald H. Morris Clerk of the Hancock Circuit Court, hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of said Court at Greenfield, Indiana this 17th day of March 19 49.

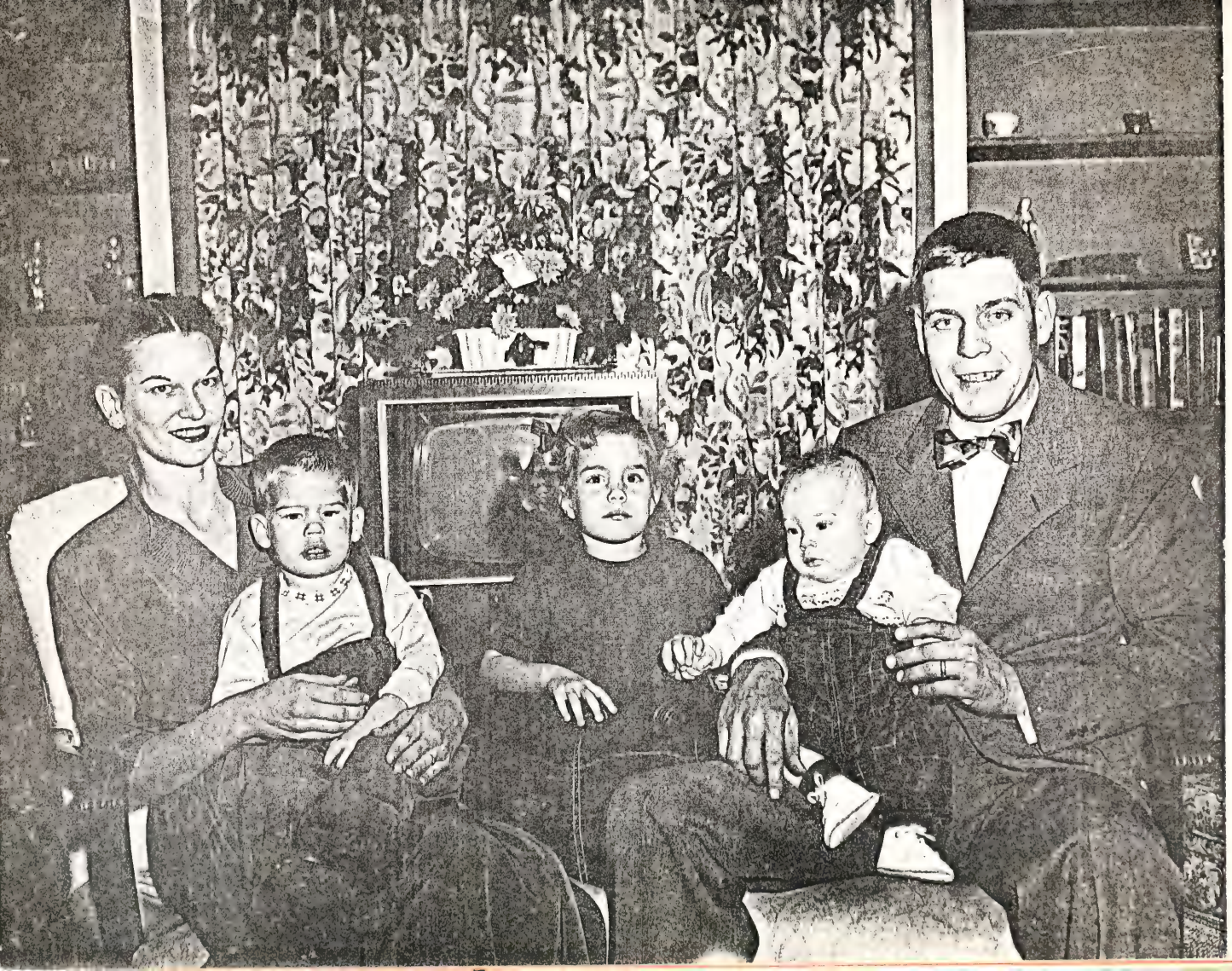
Gerald H. Morris Clerk

State of Indiana, To-Wit: Marion County, ss.

THIS CERTIFIES, that I joined together in marriage as Husband and Wife Richard J. Bardy Jr. and Victoria Ann Gole on the 19th day of March 1949

Rev. Omer Bruck, O.F.M.

Pastor of St. Roch's R.C. Church



St. Francis Hospital

Beech Grove, Indiana

This Certifies that Dennis James Bardy
was born to Mr. + Mrs. Richard Joseph Bardy - Jr. in this Hospital
at 3:04 a.m. on Thursday the 10th. day of October 1957.

In Witness Whereof the said Hospital has caused this Certificate to be signed by its duly authorized officer and its Official Seal to be hereunto affixed.

W. F. Ramage, M.D. ATTENDING PHYSICIAN

Sister M. Alvin C.S.F.R.N. SUPERINTENDENT

FAMILY HISTORY

Father's full name Richard Joseph Bardy-Jr.

Birthplace Indiana Date May 25-1924.

Mother's maiden name Victoria Ann Golz.

Birthplace Indiana Date May. 22-1930.

Residence at time child was born 357 N. 18th. Ave- Beech Grove

Sex of child Male Weight at birth 5 lbs. 14 ozs. 18 3/4" Long.

BABY'S LEFT FOOTPRINT

BABY'S RIGHT FOOTPRINT

MOTHER'S LEFT THUMBPRINT

MOTHER'S RIGHT THUMBPRINT

This Certificate of Birth should be carefully preserved as a record of value for future use:

Establishing age for entering school.
Establishing age when applying for work.
Establishing legal age for rights of franchise.

To prove citizenship.
To obtain passports for foreign travel.
To prove right of inheritance.

Baby's footprints, with mother's thumbprints, provide unchanging proof of identity throughout life.

Official registration at Bureau of Vital Statistics

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BARES, MICHAEL ANDREW, 1949-

EASE USE INK; PLEASE PLACE THESE SHEETS AT THE FRONT OF THE SECOND COPY OF YOUR FAMILY HISTORY

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So that your family history can be made more useful to historians and others studying erican families, we are asking you to fill out the forms below. This will take you only a w mintues, and will be easily made over into an index which will permit archive users ready cess to just those kinds of family histories needed.

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1. Your name Michael Andrew Bares
   Date of form 25 November 1974

2. Your college: Rock Valley College
   Rockford, Illinois

3. Check the earliest date for which you have been able to say things about your family in your paper.

   ___ Before 1750 ___ 1750-1800 X 1800-1850
   ___ 1850-1900 ___ 1900 or later

4. Please check all regions of the United States in which members of your family whom you have discussed in your paper have lived.

   ___ New England (Mass., Conn., R.I.) X Middle Atlantic (N.Y., Penna., N.J., Va.)
   X South Atlantic (Ga., Fla., N.C., S.C.) X East South Central (La., Miss., Ala., Tenn, K
   ___ West South Central (Ark., N.M., Tex., Ok.) X East North Central (Mich., Ohio, Ind. Ill. Wis.)
   X Pacific (Cal., Wash) ___ (Hawaii, Alaska)
   X Plains (ND, SD, Neb., Kan., Iowa, MO)

5. Please check all occupational categories in which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have found themselves.

   X Farming ___ Mining X Shopkeeping or small business
   X Transportation ___ Big Business ___ Manufacturing
   X Professions X Industrial labor ___ Other

6. Please check all religious groups to which members of your family whom you have discusse in this paper have belonged.

   X Roman Catholic ___ Jewish ___ Presbyterian ___ Methodist
   ___ Baptist ___ Episcopalian ___ Congregational ___ Lutheran
   ___ Quaker ___ Mormon ___ Other Protestant ___ Other

7. What ethnic and social groups are discussed in your paper?

   ___ Blacks ___ Indians ___ Mexicans ___ Puerto Ricans
   ___ Jews X Central Europeans ___ Italians X Slavs
   ___ Irish ___ British X Native Americans over several generations
   ___ East Asian ___ Other

8. What sources did you use in compiling your family history?

   X Interviews with other family members ___ Family Bibles X Family Genealogies
   X Vital Records ___ Land Records ___ The U.S. Census
   X Photographs ___ Maps X Other

FAMILY DATA

A. Grandfather (your father's side)

Name Christian Herman Bares Current Residence N/A.
If dead, date of death 8 August 1945

Place of birth Cross Plains, Wisc Date of Birth 31 December 1875

Education (number of years):
grade school 3 high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st General Store	Dates 1897-1922	1st Beach, N.D.	Dates 1897-1922
2nd Milk Contractor	Dates 1922-1925	2nd Argyle, Wisc.	Dates 1922-'25
3rd Salesman (Sexton Foods)	Dates 1925-1928	3rd Blanchardville, Wisc	Dates 1925-'28
4th Store Manager	Dates 1928-?	4th Freeport, Ill.	Dates 1928-'52

Religion Roman Catholic.

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Cub Fan, Holy Name Society, Volunteer Fire Baseball team.

Place of Marriage to your grandmother Parkston, South Dakota date 14 June 1897

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (A-1)

B. Grandmother (your father's side)

Name Antonia (Arntz) Current Residence N/A.
If dead, date of death 4 September 1946.

Place of birth Kilbourn City, Wisconsin Date of birth 24 June 1878

Education (number of years):
grade school 5th high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Housewife.	Dates 1897-1946	1st Beach, N.D.	Dates 1897-1922
2nd Midwife	Dates 1897-1946	2nd Argyle, Wisc.	Dates 1922-'25
3rd Practical Nurse.	Dates 1897-1946	3rd Blanchardville, Wisc	Dates 1925-'28
4th _____	Dates _____	4th Freeport, Ill	Dates 1928-'46

Religion Roman Catholic.

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. N/A

Place of marriage to your grandfather Parkston, South Dakota DATE 14 June 1897

Note: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (A-2).

A-1 Stepgrandfather (your father's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of Birth _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandmother _____ date _____

A-2 Stepgrandmother (your father's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____

Education (number of years):
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

_____

Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ Date _____

Grandfather (your mother's side)

Name ANTON DOLSKI. Current Residence N/A.
If dead, date of death 5 September, 1952.

Place of birth KEWAUNEE, WISCONSIN Date of birth 22 JULY 1844.
Education (number of years):
grade school 8. high school 2. vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Store Clerk Dates 1899-1900. 1st Kewaunee, Wisc. Dates 1899-1915
2nd Lake Ferry Laborer Dates 1900-1910 2nd Daggett, Mich Dates 1915-1918
3rd Store Manager & Postman Dates 1910-1918 3rd Kewaunee, Wisc. Dates 1918-1952
4th Farmer Dates 1918-23 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion Roman Catholic.
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Republican,

Place of marriage to your grandmother West Kewaunee, Wisconsin. date 22 October 1911.
Note: If your mother was raised by a ~~stepfather or another relative (to age 18)~~ give that data on the back of this page (C-1)

Grandmother (your mother's side)

Name MARY (WAWZNIAK) Current Residence N/A.
If dead, date of death 25 September 1968.

Place of birth ~~Kewaunee, Wisconsin~~ Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Date of birth 12 JUNE 1895.
Education (number of years)
grade school 3 high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st Housewife & Mother Dates 1911-1968 1st Kewaunee, Wisc. Dates 1911-1915
2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd Daggett, Mich. Dates 1915-1918
3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd Kewaunee, Wisc. Dates 1918-1968

Religion Roman Catholic.
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. N/A.

Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ date _____
Note: If your mother was raised by a stepmother or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (D-2)

C-1 Stepgrandfather (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates ____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates ____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates ____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates ____

Religion _____
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandmother _____ date _____

D-2 Stepgrandmother (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates ____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates ____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates ____

Religion _____
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ Date _____

CHILDREN of A & B (or A-1 or B-1) - your father's name should appear below

1. Name Hubert William.
Place of birth North Dakota. date 22 September 1900.
Number of years of schooling 0 Occupation 0
Residence 0 Marital Status 0
Number of children 0 Died. 2 MARCH. 1901.

2. Name Celia Apollonia.
Place of birth ? date 6 JUNE. 1903
Number of years of schooling 16 YRS Occupation Registered Nurse. Retired
Residence Lake Forest, ILL Marital Status WIDOWED
Number of children 2

3. Name Eva Marie.
Place of birth ? date 9 September 1903.
Number of years of schooling 14 YRS Occupation Professional Secretary Retired
Residence Freeport, ILL. Marital Status MARRIED.
Number of children 1.

4. Name William Alois.
Place of birth ? date 17 MAY 1906.
Number of years of schooling 8 Occupation Retired.
Residence LANARK, ILL. Marital Status MARRIED.
Number of children 1.

5. Name Josephine. Barbara.
Place of birth ? date 26 JANUARY 1908.
Number of years of schooling 16 Occupation Registered Nurse Retired
Residence Rockford, ILL. Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 10.

6. Name Frances Margret.
Place of birth ? date 8 July 1909. Died. 9 September 1909.
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

7. Name Mary A.
Place of birth ? date 13 October 1910.
Number of years of schooling 14 Occupation Housewife.
Residence Sioux City, Iowa. Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 0

8. Name Roland Christian
Place of birth ? date 24 September 1913
Number of years of schooling 12. Occupation ~~[illegible]~~ Chamber of Commerce
Residence Freeport, ILL Marital Status MARRIED.
Number of children 1

9. Name Barbara A.
Place of birth ? date 29 JANUARY 1916.
Number of years of schooling 12. Occupation Housewife.
Residence Miami, Florida. Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 4

10. Name Christian A.
Place of birth Galvan Beekie, No. Dakota. date 16 August 1918 Died 28 April 1972.
Number of years of schooling 14. Occupation Realator.
Residence Freeport, ILL Marital Status MARRIED
Number of children 6

CHILDREN of C and D (or C-1, D-1)-your mother's name should appear below

1. Name Gertrude.
Place of birth Kewaunee, Wisconsin date 19 January 1913.
Number of years of schooling 12. Occupation Housewife
Residence Kewaunee, Wisconsin Marital Status Married.
Number of children 4.

2. Name Joseph.
Place of birth Daggett, Michigan date 1915-1916 Died as a child.
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

3. Name Anthony
Place of birth Daggett, Michigan. date 1917 Died at Birt
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

4. Name Johanna Josephine.
Place of birth Kewaunee, Wisconsin. date 4 May 1919.
Number of years of schooling 16. Occupation Registered Wu
Residence Freeport, Illinois Marital Status Married.
Number of children 4.

5. Name Jerome.
Place of birth Kewaunee, Wisconsin. date 4 August. 1922
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Farmer, Lab
Residence Kewaunee, Wisconsin Marital Status Married.
Number of children 12.

6. Name Still Birth.
Place of birth date 1922.
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

7. Name Alice
Place of birth Kewaunee, Wisconsin. date 9 August. 1925.
Number of years of schooling 14. Occupation Register of D
Residence Kewaunee, Wisconsin. Marital Status Widowed
Number of children 4. Kewaunee, Coun

8. Name Miss Carriage
Place of birth date 1927.
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

9. Name Vernon Anthony
Place of birth Kewaunee, Wisconsin. date 19 August. 1931
Number of years of schooling 18 Occupation Priest.
Residence Greenbay, Wisconsin Marital Status Single.
Number of children 0

10. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

Children of A & B Continued.

11. RAYMOND FRANCIS.
BORN. Beach, No DAKOTA 20 MARCH 1919.
YRS of Schooling 14 Occupation: Business Executive.
Residence; Freeport, Ill. MARITAL STATUS; MARRIED.
No. of Children 4

12. Hubert FRANK.
BORN: Golva or Berkie, No Dakota. 26 MAY 1920.
YRS of Schooling 16. Occupation; Business Executive.
Residence; Los. Angeles, Calif. MARITAL STATUS MARRIED.
No of Children. 7.

13. A Child That Died AT. Birth in. May 1902.

Your Father

Name RAYMOND FRANCIS BARES Current Residence freeport, ILL

If dead, date of death

Place of birth Beach, North Dakota Date of Birth 20 March 1919.

Education (number of years)

grade school 8. high school 4. vocational college 2.

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st ~~Service~~ Time Clerk.	Dates 1938-'39	1st Wrightsville Beach. So. Carolina	Dates 1942-'43.
2nd Military Serv	Dates 1940-1946.	2nd Savanna, Georgia	Dates 1943-'44
3rd Service Station.	Dates 1946.-1961.	3rd Phillpines	Dates 1944-'45
4th Business Exec.	Dates 1961-	4th Freeport, Ill	Dates 1945-

Religion Roman Catholic.

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Knights of Columbus, Germania Club, Holy Name Society

Place of marriage to your mother West Kewaunee, Wisc. date 2 July 1942.

NOTE: If you were raised by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (E-2)

Your Mother

Name Joan. (Dolski) Current Residence Freeport, Ill.

If dead, date of death

Place of birth Kewaunee, Wisconsin Date of Birth 4 May 1919.

Education (number of years)

grade school 8 high school 4. vocational 4. college

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Housewife & R.N.	Dates 1942-'74	1st Freeport, Ill -	Dates 1937-39.
2nd	Dates	2nd Wrightsville Beach. So. Carolina	Dates 1942-'43
3rd	Dates	3rd Savanna, Ga.	Dates 1943-'44

Religion Roman Catholic

Political party, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Lady Solidality, American Nurses Association,

Place of marriage to your father W. Kewaunee, Wisconsin date 2 July 1942

NOTE: If you were raised by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (F-2).

E-1 Stepfather

Name _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____
Religion
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your mother _____ Date _____

F-2 Stepmother

Name _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____
Religion
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your father _____ date _____

CHILDREN of E and F (or E-2, F-2) - your name should appear below

Name RAYMOND. ANTHONY
Place of birth KINGSTON, [redacted] SO. CAROLINA Date of birth 26 AUGUST 1943.
Number of years of schooling 16. Occupation SALESMAN
Residence MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN Marital Status MARRIED.
Number of children 3.

Name GREGORY CHRISTIAN
Place of birth SAVANNA, GEORGIA. Date of birth 15 November 1944.
Number of years of schooling 16. Occupation CIVIL ENGINEER.
Residence MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN Marital Status MARRIED.
Number of children 2.

Name JAMES. GEOFFREY
Place of birth FREEPORT, ILL. Date of birth 22 FEBRUARY 1947.
Number of years of schooling 18 Occupation TEACHER.
Residence FONDA LAC, WISCONSIN Marital Status SINGLE.
Number of children 0

Name MICHAEL ANDREW
Place of birth FREEPORT, ILLINOIS Date of birth 20 AUGUST 1949
Number of years of schooling 15. Occupation SERVICE TECHNICIAN
Residence ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS Marital Status MARRIED.
Number of children 0.

Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

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Place of birth Date of birth
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Signed Michael A. Bares

Date 11-25-74.

GENEALOGY CHART

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  B 20 AUGUST 1949
  M 15 SEPTEMBER 1973
  D
  - **BARES, RAYMOND FRANCIS**
    B 20 MARCH 1919
    M 2 JULY 1942
    D
    - **BARES, CHRISTIAN HERMAN**
      B 31 DECEMBER 1875
      M 14 JUNE 1897
      D 8 AUGUST 1945
      - **BARES, HUBERT**
        B 13 FEBRUARY 1851
        M 1871
        D
        - [ ]
      - **DOLFEN, BARBARA**
        B 5 JANUARY 1852
        - [ ]
    - **ARNTZ, ANTONIA KATHERINE**
      B 24 JUNE 1878
      D 4 SEPTEMBER 1946
      - **ARNTZ, WILLIAM HERMAN**
        B 14 MARCH 1840
        M SPRING 1870
        D 13 DECEMBER 1916
        - **ARNTZ, WERNER**
          B ALSACE LORRAINE (FRANCE)
          D
        - **EICHHOLT, PETRONELLA**
          B HOLLAND
          D
      - **SCHLIESSMAN, EVA K.**
        B OCTOBER 1847
        D 17 OCTOBER 1907
        - **SCHLIESSMAN, ADAM**
          B 1805, DARMSTADT, HESSEN (GERMANY)
          D
        - **WALTER, MARGURTA**
          B 1810, DARMSTADT, HESSEN (GERMANY)
          D
  - **DOLSKI, JOAN JOSEPHINE**
    B 4 MAY 1920
    D
    - **DOLSKI, ANTON**
      B 22 JULY 1884
      M 24 OCTOBER 1911
      D 5 SEPTEMBER 1952
      - **DOLSKI, MICHAEL ANDREW**
        B
        M
        D
      - **OKONSKI, ANNA**
        B DONZIG, POLAND
        D KENAUNEE, WISCONSIN
    - **WANZNIAK, MARY**
      B 12 JUNE 1895
      D 25 SEPTEMBER 1965
      - **WANZNIAK, MARTIN**
        MARY'S 1ST HUSBAND
        B POLAND
        M
        D
      - **SNIEKA, MARTIN**
        MARY'S 2ND HUSBAND
        B
        M
        D
      - **MALCJEWSKI, ANNA**
        B LOUV, POLAND
        D KENAUNEE, WISCONSIN
        - **MALCJEWSKI, LOUIS**
          B WARSAW, POLAND
          D EAST KROK, WISCONSIN
        - **BRUSDA, MARY**
          B WARSAW, POLAND
          D EAST KROK, WISCONSIN

LIST OF SOURCES

Miss Luella Steil

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond F. Bares

Mrs. Ralph (Eva Bares) Grassau

Mrs. Rudy (Josephine Bares) Donnelli

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Arntz

FAMILY HISTORY PROJECT

PATERNAL GRANDFATHER

Christian Herman Bares, my paternal grandfather, was born to Hubert and Barbara (Dolfen) Bares on 31 December 1875 in Cross Plains, Wisconsin. Sometime during his early childhood, his parents moved the family to North Dakota by covered wagon and farmed land there. No information was passed down through the family regarding his childhood so information regarding this time in his life is generally nonexistent. It is known that he did complete the third grade, and by speculating on the Dakota area, he must have grown up as any farm boy of the era. Sometime before 1897 he met my grandmother, Antonia, and they were married on 14 June 1897 in Parksten, South Dakota.

Christian and Antonia lived in the southern part of North Dakota, in the area of Beach (Golden Valley county), Golva, and Berkie. They first lived on acreage belonging to my great-grandfather. Eventually my grandfather bought a General Store in Berkie where they resided until they moved East to Wisconsin.

Because the relatives with whom I spoke were too young to remember, there is very little information available about this time in their lives. It is a fact that the family lived above the store in what could be described

as average living conditions. They had no running water or plumbing. A pump at the back of the store provided the water that was needed, and they had an outhouse. This setup was an improvement, however, over conditions on the farm where they first lived. There water had been hauled from town because the farm's well was not deep enough.

All ten of their children were born in North Dakota.

My grandfather's General Store carried a little bit of everything. During the early part of the century when there were continuous droughts and locust infestations, many crops were lost. My grandfather lent much credit, but received little payment. The First World War was at hand, and my grandfather had little going for him. As a result of the problems mentioned, my grandfather lost his store and moved his family to Argyle, Wisconsin in 1922.

In Argyle, Christian Bares worked for Sanner and Bauchy Cheese Factory. We would go to the farmers of the surrounding area and contract their milk from them. His family lived in a frame house which had no plumbing.

In 1925 Christian decided to move his family to Blanchardville, Wisconsin to take a new job. He began work for Sexton Foods as a traveling salesman. The same Sexton Foods that services many cafeterias today.

Because of the size of the family, Christian's income was supplemented by Antonia and the children. My grandmother did laundry with a gasoline powered clothes washer for the barber shop in town and also baked cookies that were sold by her sons around town.

Sometime during their stay in Blanchardville, my grandfather quit working for Sexton Foods because of a need for money and bought a cigar store-pool hall, which he operated until 1928.

In 1928 one of his older daughters was in a serious auto accident and was brought to a Freeport, (Stephenson) Illinois, hospital. Because the cigar store-pool hall was not doing too well, the decision was made to move the family to Freeport to be closer to the injured daughter.

In Freeport their first home was at 306 North Foley. My grandfather ran another store in Freeport, but not much has ever been said about it.

The Bares family moved two more times. The first move was from Foley to 206 West Elk Street and the second move was to a house on Winneshiek Street. My grandparents lived in this house until they died. Christian died on 8 August 1945 and Antonia died little more than a year later on 4 September 1946. They had been married 48 years.

PATERNAL GRANDMOTHER

Antonia Katherine, my maternal grandmother, was born to William Herman and Eva Katherine (Schliessman) Arntz on 24 June 1878 in Kilbourn City, Wisconsin, now known as Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin. Again, I was unable to gather much information about her childhood. I do know that her parents moved to the Dakotas in covered wagons and she grew up on a farm there. She completed the fifth grade and used to tell my aunts and uncles about the Indians who lived in the Plains States. However, the specifics of her tales have been forgotten.

My grandmother was a talented woman. She played the piano, sang, and wrote poetry. Much of her poetry was composed for her sons while they were in the service and is evidence of her great love for her children.

MATERNAL GRANDFATHER

Both of my great-grandparents were born in Donzig, Poland. Neither their childhood or how and why they immigrated to the United States is known. Michael Andrew Dolski lived in the South during the Civil War and later moved to Chicago where he met Anna Okonski and married her. They bought 100 acres of land near Kewaunee (Kewaunee), Wisconsin, and moved there to live. All of this occurred in the 1870's.

Their first home was a log cabin where they lived for 10 years after which they built a frame house. Michael cleared his land like the farmers of that day with oxen and dynamite and farmed with horse drawn machinery.

Anton, my grandfather, was born fourth in a family of ten, on 22 July 1884 in Kewaunee (Kewaunee), Wisconsin. His father ruled the household and his word was law!

While he was growing up, Anton helped with the farm chores and worked about the house. The family lived in a German section of the township and in order to learn German, Anton had to walk five miles to the Catholic school.

At the age of 15, he went to work as a clerk in a hardware store in Kewaunee. Even though the store was a good distance from the farm, my grandfather walked to work each day. At the end of the week each child brought his wages home and gave them to his parents. When Anton bought

a bicycle with some of his earnings so he would not have to walk to work, his father was outraged and told him to return the bike or leave the house. Anton chose the latter, and at the age of 15 left home. He did not return to stay until he was 25 years old.

During the 10 years in whcih he was away from his father's house, he worked on the Lake ferries, attended a Milwaukee seminary, and finally clerked in a Kewaunee store.

His education was complete at the 10th grade.

Returning to Kewaunee, he drove the city street cars and learned to make cheese at a local cheese factory. He met my grandmother, Mary Wawzniak in 1909 and married her on 24 October 1911 at St. Hedwig's Church in West Kewaunee (Kewaunee), Wisconsin.

The first two years of their married life, they resided in Kewaunee. Anton worked at Manshek's Hardware Company, and Mary stayed home and ran the house. Gertrude, their eldest daughter, was born 19 January 1913. During this same year they moved to Daggett, Michigan and for the next five years they operated a General Store and Post Office. While they were in Daggett, Grandpa served as the Clerk of Lake Township for three years.

It was also during this time that two sons were born, Joseph (1915-16) and Anthony (1917). Anthony died shortly after birth and Joseph died when he was about a year old of pneumonia.

My grandfather was gone much of the time helping clear fields and serving as township clerk, so my grandmother was left in charge of the store and the Post Office. She used to tell about how the Bohemians, Czechoslovakians, and Indians used to come to trade at the store. She learned Bohemian from the neighboring women who would come to buy provisions, and she taught the Bohemian women Polish. This was done by pointing to the item that was desired and repeating the word in Polish after the women had used the Bohemian word for it. Imagine, a language class in a General Store in the North Woods!

Indians were always fierce looking and feared especially when she was alone.

The freight train ran directly in front of the store, but it only stopped on special occasions. This meant that the mail bags had to be thrown on to the train as it sped by. Quite a job for a woman as small as my grandmother!

Finally, grandmother reached her limit. She wrote my grandfather a note telling him, "I am going home to Kewaunee. If you want me and your daughter, you can come and get us." Then she packed hers and Gertrude's belongings,, took the buggy to the train station, and boarded the train for Kewaunee. Needless to say, Grandpa sold the Post Office and the store and went to Kewaunee to claim his wife and daughter.

From 1918 - 1923 Grandpa farmed near Kewaunee. In 1923, he bought a cheese factory in West Kewaunee (Kewaunee), Wisconsin.

(Documents I and II, Certificates to Own a Cheese Factory and Be a Cheesemaker.) It was while my grandparents were farming after leaving Daggett, Michigan, that my mother, Johanna Josephine, was born on 4 May 1920.

It was during the days of the Cheese Factory that the rest of the Dolski family was born, Jerome, Alice, and another son named Anthony.

The family lived extremely well while my grandfather owned and operated the Cheese Factory. They lived above the factory and had indoor plumbing, a tiled bath, warm water, steam heat, and hardwood floors. These were real luxuries for anyone living in a rural area at that time. However, the one thing that made their home most unique were the electric lights which were supplied by batteries that were charged by a gasoline motor.

During these years my grandfather was elected County Clerk and Registrar of Deeds for Kewaunee County. He continued in this position for some 30+ years.

By 1937 Van Kamp's had begun to expand into Northern Wisconsin and take over the cheese market. My grandfather sold the Cheese Factory in 1937 and bought a farm because his eldest son had become interested in farming. Jerome, therefore, managed the farm while Anton worked at Leasey Aluminum Company as a night watchman and foreman. It was while he was at Leasey Aluminum that he helped to organize a union. The union improved the employees' wages, which had been as low as 50¢ an

hour. Later on, he bought a second farm, 40 acres, where he and my grandmother retired. Jerome then bought the larger farm from my grandparents.

My grandfather, Anton Dolski, died on 5 September 1952 of cancer of the kidneys and is buried in Holy Rosary Cemetery in Kewaunee, Wisconsin.

After his death, my grandmother sold the small farm and moved into Kewaunee. As she grew older, she felt that she couldn't live alone. However, still hoping to maintain her independence, she bought a house trailer and had it moved to the apple orchard at her son's farm.

My grandmother, Mary (Wawzniak) Dolski, died of a heart attack on 25 September 1968 in Kewaunee (Kewaunee), Wisconsin. She is buried next to her beloved Anton in Holy Rosary Cemetery, Kewaunee, Wisconsin.

MATERNAL GRANDMOTHER

Louis and Mary (Brusda) Malcjewski lived in the Warsaw, Poland area. Their family included two sons and one daughter, my great-grandmother, Anna. There is no information available about her childhood.

My great-grandmother, Anna, was married to Martin Wawzniak. After her marriage, her parents, Louis and Mary Malcjewski, immigrated to the United States and eventually moved to Kewaunee (Kewaunee), Wisconsin, where they are buried.

Martin and Anna (Malcjewski) Wawzniak lived in Poland for three years after their marriage, and then they, too, decided to immigrate to the United States. Their first home was Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where they lived with two of Martin's brothers. It was during this time that my grandmother, Mary, was born on 12 June 1895.

While living in Philadelphia, my great-grandfather Wawzniak developed a high-fevered sickness. The sickness was long and eventually terminal, and my great-grandmother had to provide an income. She did so by working as a maid for the wealthy Polish families of the area.

After Martin's death, Anna took her daughter, Mary, and moved to Kewaunee, Wisconsin to be with her parents. She lived with them and worked in her father's inn where she met Martin Swifka.

Martin Swifka worked in the lime kilns in the area and owned 100 acres of farm land. However, he did not have a house on his land; and he lived at the Inn until he built one.

Martin Swifka and Anna (Malcjewski) Wawzniak were married sometime shortly after the turn of the centruy. Martin built their home and began to farm his 100 acres.

My grandmother, Mary, never changed her name to Swifka. She retained her father's name of Wawzniak at her own request. Because she did not change her name, she never felt that her step-father, Martin Swifka, accepted her as a daughter.

She completed only the third grade, while her half-sisters continued their schooling until the eighth grade. All of the girls in the family were taught to cook on a wood stove, keep house, and run a family.

At the age of 14, my grandmother went to work for her grandparents at their inn. She worked there for two years. It was while she was working there that she met my grandfather, a man nine years her senior.

FATHER

Raymond Francis Bares was born on 20 March 1919 to Christian and Antonia (Arntz) Bares in Beach (Golden Valley), North Dakota. He was the 12th child in a family of 13.

Ray's childhood was normal. The family moved five times, but this was not harmful to his development. He remembers the houses he lived in as frame, lacking toilet facilities, but sometimes there was city drinking water plumbed into them. The early Bares' homes were heated by potbellied stoves or steam heat. It was not until they moved to Freeport that they had a coal burning furnace. The houses were lit by kerosene lamps or electricity.

During his boyhood his time was occupied by household chores and the adventures every boy takes. He remembers at age seven playing in corrals of wild mustangs. He recalls one of his older brothers bringing home a runt pig. The pig soon became the family pet. Pete, as he was called, was very smart and as Dad remembers, he used to beg for mice that the boys had caught. Everyone was very sad when Pete had to be sold.

When the Bares family moved to Freeport (Stephenson), Illinois, in 1928, Dad started fourth grade at Harlem Grade School on Harlem Street. When, in 1929, they moved to 206 West Elk Street, he finished his elementary education at St. Joseph's Grade School.

High School was not too much different from what it is today. Between school years he worked summer jobs. When he graduated from Aquin Central Catholic High School in 1937, he was Valedictorian of his class.

After high school he attended Brown's Business College in Freeport (Stephenson), Illinois. He worked there as a janitor to pay his tuition.

From 1939-41 he worked part-time jobs and was time keeper at Burgess Battery Company.

My father met Johanna Dolski at the "Bluebird Restaurant" in Freeport. Dad took her dancing, to the movies and family events while he was courting her. They were married in West Kewaunee (Kewaunee), Wisconsin, at St. Hedwig's Catholic Church on 2 July 1942.

When Johanna and Ray were married, Ray had completed Officers Cadet School and was on orders to report to his station in South Carolina. They were married on Saturday and on Monday Dad left for his post. Mom was to follow as soon as Dad had arranged some living quarters.

Their first home was at Wrightsville Beach, South Carolina. The house was on stilts so the tide would not run in and there was a catwalk connecting the sandbar on which they lived to the shoreline. My oldest brother, Raymond Anthony was born here 26 August 1943.

Shortly after my brother was born, my father was reassigned to a post in Georgia. My brother, Gregory Christian, was born in Savanna, Georgia, 15 November 1944.

Dad was then assigned to a post in Louisiana and to Camp Callan, California. My mother, however, did not follow him to these stations. She decided to stay with her mother until the war ended or Dad was stationed at a permanent assignment. The war ended and Dad was honorably discharged 30 January 1946.

After Dad's discharge, Mom and Dad moved to Float Street in Freeport (Stephenson), Illinois. Dad joined his brothers in business at the Mobil Service stations. At one time, they owned three Mobil gas stations simultaneously. Eventually, the business proved to be too spread out and was reduced to one station on the corner of Spring and Chicago Streets. They have since sold the business, but it still carries the name, "Bares Bros. Service".

On 22 February 1947 a third son, James Geoffrey, was born to Ray and Joan Bares at St. Francis Hospital in Freeport (Steph.), Illinois.

MOTHER

Johanna Josephine Dolski was born on 4 May 1920 in Kewaunee (Kewaunee), Wisconsin, to Anton and Mary (Waszniak) Dolski. She was the fourth child in a family of seven.

The early years of her life were without extraordinary events. As a young girl, she worked in her parents' cheese factory and later helped on their farm.

When she started high school, she joined the school bank and played the alto saxophone. Her parents allowed her to manage her own life and intervened only when they felt it necessary.

She tells many stories of the good times had at County Fairs, Church bazaars and the like with family and friends.

Early in high school, she had decided to become a nurse, and so when she graduated from Kewaunee High School in June, 1937, she enrolled in nurse's training at the Catholic hospital in Manitowoc, Wisconsin. She attended classes there from August 1937 to April 1938. In April of 1938 she left Manitowoc and moved to Freeport, (Steph.), Illinois, to stay with her sister, Gertrude, and help take care of her cousin, Lee, who was seriously ill with pneumonia. When Lee was better, she entered nurse's training at St. Francis School of Nursing in Freeport (Steph.), Illinois. She graduated from St. Francis in 1942 as a Registered Nurse. Copies of her certificates of Nursing for the states of Illinois and Wisconsin are documents III and IV.

My mother met my father in 1938 or 1939. He took her to such places as the Circle, The Blue Bird Restaurant, and Teraqua Gardens. Dad would walk Mom on most of their dates, but if he was lucky, he would borrow his older brother's coupe. Mother's curfew was 9:00 P. M. the first six weeks of training and 12:00 P. M. thereafter, so promptness was a necessity. They became engaged, and were married at St. Hedwig's Chruch, West Kewaunee (Kewaunee), Wisconsin, on 2 July 1942, the same church my grandparents were married in 31 years earlier.

My mother changed her name from Johanna to Joan during the first year of their marriage.

MICHAEL A. BARES

On 20 August 1949 the fourth and last child was born, Me! My full name is Michael Andrew Bares and I was born to Raymond and Joan (Dolski) Bares at St. Francis Hospital, Freeport, (Stephenson), Illinois. The fourth child was different from the three older children. He was born with a super numiary cyst on his upper lip, which was repaired in the delivery room. Due to poor care, the sutures sloughed away and with them the tissues of my upper lip. My parents were counseled and received State aid to have the lip repaired at hospitals in the Chicago area.

The first six months of my life were spent at Illinois Institute in Chicago (Cook), Illinois. The doctors told my parents to leave me, and they would contact them when I could come home. And so began 13 years of surgery, one operation every year sometimes two, not even considering the frequent checkups, X-rays, and tests which were necessary between each operation.

Despite being in and out of doctors offices most of my early childhood, I had three older brothers that made my childhood as normal as the next child. The defect did not hinder me from playing, roughhousing, or just plain fighting. It was only right after an operation that my activities were hindered.

I attended kindergarten at Lincoln School beginning in 1954 and began the rest of my elementary schooling at St. Joseph's Catholic Grade School the following year. While in grade school, I was schooled in catechism, the 3 R's and received the sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation. Aside from my schooling, I participated in sports and received the traditional "J" letter for superior performance. I graduated from St. Joseph's in June of 1963. That same fall I entered Aquin High School, the school my father graduated from 27 years earlier.

At Aquin I was an average student, participated in sports and was involved in the many social functions. I lettered my Junior year, and was voted All-Conference Center for the Stephenson Conference by a unanimous vote. During my Senior year, I was elected Vice President of our class. I graduated in June 1967.

For the next year and a half I attended St. Norbert College in West DePere, Wisconsin. I dropped out of school in the fall of 1968 and enlisted in the U. S. Army the following April.

I entered boot camp on 5 August 1969. Through boot camp I entered Leadership School and was an acting E-6 and class leader for the next eight weeks. I was stationed in Berlin, West Germany, from January 1970 to September 1970. During that time I became close friends with our German chaplain who guided me through Berlin and its history. On

20 October 1970 I left for Da Nang, South Viet Nam. With an engineering certificate, I was fortunate to be stationed in the rear eschelon. I was at the Property Disposal Ordinance Company, commonly called the "junk yard." I repaired the heavy equipment needed to move the scrap. On 31 October 1971, I returned to the United States and was stationed at Fort Carson, Colorado. It was here I received my active discharge on 7 February 1972 and am presently waiting for my final discharge.

After my active discharge, I was in a limbo. I was thrust into society after the protection of the military. My one bright spot was the young lady I had been writing to and visiting on leave. Peggy Vedra was a girl I met in high school, three years my junior. I didn't notice her much at the time, but while in service she was an emotional stabilizer. It seemed whenever I was low, I would have a letter from Peg. The first one I remember reading in the middle of K. P. back by the trash cans, it got me through the next 12 hours.

I began to date Peg seriously after my discharge and on 16 September 1972 I asked her to marry me. Fortunately the answer was yes. We were married on 15 September 1973 at 11:00 A. M. at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, Freeport (Stephenson), Illinois. Since then Peg shows me a way when I'm confused and prods me when I'm down. But most of all, she loves me for what I am. May we be as strong as our ancestors in life and our faith!

No. 18202

State of Wisconsin

OFFICE OF

DAIRY AND FOOD COMMISSIONER

MADISON

This is to certify that Anton Dalski

of R. 2, Kewaunee, having fulfilled the requirements prescribed by the Dairy and Food Commissioner of Wisconsin under authority of Chapter 597 of the Laws of Wisconsin for the year 1915, is hereby licensed under the provisions of said chapter to

operate a Cheese Factory in Kewaunee county, located 2 miles s.e. from Kewaunee, L. 26 R. 23 E. 2th.

for the year 1927, unless this license is revoked by the Dairy and Food Commissioner before the expiration of said period.

In Witness Whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal this 7th day of June 1927

Document I

C. J. Kiemel

DAIRY AND FOOD COMMISSIONER OF WISCONSIN.

THIS LICENSE NOT TRANSFERABLE

No. 17441

State of Wisconsin

OFFICE OF

DAIRY AND FOOD COMMISSIONER

MADISON

This is to certify that Anton Dolske

of R 2 Kewaunee having fulfilled the requirements prescribed by the Dairy and Food Commissioner of Wisconsin under authority of Chapter 597 of the Laws of Wisconsin for the year 1915, is hereby licensed under the provisions of said chapter to

engage in the manufacture of cheese as a

Cheese Maker

for the year 1927, unless this license is revoked by the Dairy and Food Commissioner before the expiration of said period.

In Witness Whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal this 7th day of June 1927

Document II

R. J. Kremer

DAIRY AND FOOD COMMISSIONER OF WISCONSIN.

THIS LICENSE NOT TRANSFERABLE

The late Anton Dolski, who as town clerk of West Kewaunee more than 30 years, is shown at the right in this photograph on the occasion of presentation of a watch to him by the Town Board in recognitoin of his many years of service. The presentation was made by Chairman Wm. Brezinski. Mr. Dolski died recently after a prolonged illness.

ANTON DOLSKI DIED ON SATURDAY MORNING

Anton Dolski, former Town Clerk and one of the town of West Kewaunee's most prominent residents, died at his home in that township on Saturday morning after an extended illness. He was sixty four years of age.

Mr. Dolski was born in the town of West Kewaunee on July 22, 1884 and with the exception of a five year period, from 1913 to 1918, he spent his entire life in this community.

On October 24, 1911 he was married in a ceremony performed at the St. Hedwig's Church in West Kewaunee to the former Mary Wawziniak and for the ensuing few years they made their home in Kewaunee, Mr. Dolski being employed with the Mashek Hardware Co. In 1913 they moved to Daggett, Mich., where for five years they operated a general store and the post office and then they returned to West Kewaunee to engage in farming.

He is survived by his widow and five children, Mrs. Vernon (Gertrude) Ihlenfeldt of West Kewaunee, Mrs. Ray (Joan) Bares of Freeport, Ill., Jerome of West Kewaunee, Mrs. Ray (Alice) Flaherty of West Kewaunee and Tony, a student at St. Francis Seminary at Milwaukee. Also surviving are sixteen grandchildren and other kinspeople.

The funeral services were held on Wednesday morning at the Holy Rosary Church with the Rev. Michael Jacowski officiating and interment was in the Holy Rosary Cemetery. Pallbearers were Edwin Swifka, Leonard Ihlenfeldt, Lavern Koelpikowski, John Swifka, Bob Nemetz and Ransom Dolski.

Anton Dolski was an outstanding farmer and good citizen. He was not only successful in agricultural pursuits but he compiled a record of public service seldom equalled. During his residence in Michigan he served as Clerk of Lake township for a period of three years and after his return to Kewaunee county he served his townspeople in West Kewaunee as their Town Clerk for a period of thirty years or more, providing such splendid and conscientious service that he was re-elected each term with fine complimentary votes until he chose to retire from public life a few years ago. He also served as a member of the school board of the former Paulus district for several years. He was a fine gentleman who was friendly and cordial in the innumerable happy associations which he enjoyed and his friends were legion. They will mourn his passing.

Document III

Number 17438

Wisconsin State Board of Health

COMMITTEE ON NURSING EDUCATION

This is to Certify that Joan Bares
has fulfilled the requirements of the law governing the registration of nurses in Wisconsin, has been duly registered in accordance therewith and is hereby entitled to practice as a graduate and Registered Nurse.

In Witness Whereof, the Secretary of the State Board of Health and Secretary of the Board of Examiners for Registered Nurses have hereunto subscribed their names and caused the Seal of the office of the Board to be affixed this 17th day of December A.D. 1942

This certificate must be renewed annually in January.

W. H. Harperwood
SECRETARY STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

Leila S. Given, R.N.
SECRETARY BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR REGISTERED NURSES

Document IV

CERTIFICATE NUMBER 44618

STATE OF ILLINOIS

DWIGHT H. GREEN GOVERNOR

DEPARTMENT OF REGISTRATION AND EDUCATION

This is to Certify

That JOAN DOLSKI BARES

is duly registered and entitled to practice as a

REGISTERED NURSE

under the provisions of "The Illinois Nursing Act."

This certificate must be renewed annually on or before the first day of April, and unless renewed during the month of April shall expire on the first day of May of that year.

It is revocable for the causes specified in the law.

In Witness Whereof,

the Director of the Department of Registration and Education has hereunto affixed his hand and the seal of the said Department this 26TH *day of* SEPTEMBER *A. D. 19*42

Attest: Philip M. Harman — SUPERINTENDENT OF REGISTRATION

Frank G. Thompson — DIRECTOR

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Document V

NORTH DAKOTA
State Department of Health
CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH
(Delayed Registration)

1. PLACE OF BIRTH
(a) County: GOLDEN VALLEY
(b) City, Village, or Township: BEACH
(If within city or village, is place within corporate limits?)

2. FULL NAME AT BIRTH: RAYMOND FRANCIS BARES

3. SEX: MALE
4. Was another previously on file for this child? YES
5. DATE OF BIRTH: MARCH 20 1919 (Month by name) (Day) (Year)

FATHER
6. Full name: CHRISTIAN H BARES
7. Color or Race: WHITE
8. Birthplace: CROSS PLAINS WISCONSIN

MOTHER
9. Maiden name: ANTONIA K ARNTZ
10. Color or Race: WHITE
11. Birthplace: KILBOURNE WISCONSIN

AFFIDAVIT: I hereby declare upon oath that the above statements are true.
Signature: Raymond Francis Bares
(To be signed by registrant, or if under 18 years of age, by parent or guardian)
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18 day of May 1944
Notary Public

OFFICIAL USE
Certificate filed October 1, 1944

DO NOT WRITE BELOW HEAVY LINE
(To be filled in by Local Registrar or State Department of Health)

ABSTRACT OF SUPPORTING EVIDENCE

Name and Kind of Document, and by whom issued or certified	Date Original Document made
1. Baptismal Certificate, Wm. Fred Hake, Pastor. May 3, 1944	March 26, 1919
2. Certificate of Secondary School Credits, Aquin High School, Freeport, Illinois	1933 to 1937
3.	
4.	

INFORMATION CONCERNING REGISTRANT AS STATED IN DOCUMENT

Birthdate or Age	Birthplace	Name of Father	Full Name of Mother
1. March 20, 1919	Beach, North Dakota	Christian H. Bares	Antonia Arntz
2. March 20, 1919	not given	not given	not given
3.			
4.			

Additional Information:

I certify that I have examined the documents listed to show that the abstract is true and correct, the documents show no changes or alterations and appear to be authentic.
Documents sent to State Health Department
Examined by: Local Registrar
Local Registrar's Number
Filing Date
Local Registrar

No prior record of this birth has been found in the Division of Vital Statistics, State Department of Health.
This certificate filed May 18, 1944
Deputy State Registrar

(This certificate not valid until approved by North Dakota State Registrar of Vital Statistics or his designated agent)

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

I, F. J. HILL, M. D., STATE HEALTH [illegible] STRAR DO HEREBY CERITFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A T[illegible] OF THE DELAYED RECORD OF BIRTH FILED KEPT AND [illegible] THE DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS STATE DEPARTMEN[illegible] TH DAKOTA

[illegible] STATE REGISTRAR

DATE [illegible]ay 19, 1944

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Document 1.01

Certificate of Baptism

Saint John the Baptist Church
Beach, North Dakota

This is to Certify

That Raymond Francis Bares
Child of Christian H. Bares
and Antonia nee Arntz
born in Beach, North Dakota
on the 20th day of March 1919, was

Baptized

on the 26th day of March 1919

according to the

Rite of the Roman Catholic Church

by the Reverend Father Wm. Fred. Hake, Pastor
the Sponsors being { Michael Schwagel / Mrs. Hubert Bares }

as appears from the Baptismal Register of this Church

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1. Your name Dennis Batutis
   Date of form May 6, 1974

2. Your college: Rock Valley College
   Rockford, Illinois

3. Check the earliest date for which you have been able to say things about your family in your paper.

   ___ Before 1750 ___ 1750-1800 ___ 1800-1850
   X 1850-1900 ___ 1900 or later

4. Please check all regions of the United States in which members of your family whom you have discussed in your paper have lived.

   ___ New England (Mass., Conn., R.I.) X Middle Atlantic (N.Y., Penna., N.J., Va.)
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5. Please check all occupational categories in which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have found themselves.

   X Farming X Mining X Shopkeeping or small business
   X Transportation ___ Big Business X Manufacturing
   ___ Professions X Industrial labor ___ Other

6. Please check all religious groups to which members of your family whom you have discussed in this paper have belonged.

   X Roman Catholic ___ Jewish ___ Presbyterian ___ Methodist
   ___ Baptist ___ Episcopalian ___ Congregational ___ Lutheran
   ___ Quaker ___ Mormon ___ Other Protestant ___ Other

7. What ethnic and social groups are discussed in your paper?

   ___ Blacks ___ Indians ___ Mexicans ___ Puerto Ricans
   ___ Jews X Central Europeans X Italians ___ Slavs
   ___ Irish ___ British ___ Native Americans over several generations
   ___ East Asian ___ Other

8. What sources did you use in compiling your family history?

   X Interviews with other family members ___ Family Bibles ___ Family Genealogies
   X Vital Records ___ Land Records ___ The U.S. Census
   X Photographs ___ Maps ___ Other

FAMILY DATA

A. Grandfather (your father's side)

Name Matthius Batutis Current Residence
If dead, date of death August 10, 1954

Place of birth Lithuania Date of Birth February 8, 1880

Education (number of years):
grade school 3 high school - vocational - college -

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Miner	Dates	1st Minersville, Pennsylvania	Dates ?
2nd	Dates	2nd Cherry, Illinois	Dates 1908
3rd	Dates	3rd Wilsonville, Illinois	Dates 1921
4th	Dates	4th	Dates

Religion Roman Catholic

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Lithuanian Workers Alliance, Lithuanian Alliance

Place of Marriage to your grandmother Spring Valley, Illinois date November 21 1909

NOTE: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (A-1)

B. Grandmother (your father's side)

Name Mary Stankunas Current Residence
If dead, date of death March 14, 1971

Place of birth Lithuania Date of birth July 19, 1890

Education (number of years):
grade school - high school - vocational - college

Occupation(s)		PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Homemaker	Dates	1st Same as above	Dates
2nd	Dates	2nd	Dates
3rd	Dates	3rd	Dates
4th	Dates	4th	Dates

Religion Roman Catholic

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. Lithuanian Alliance

Place of marriage to your grandfather Spring Valley DATE Nov. 190?

Note: If your father was raised (to age 18) by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (A-2).

A-1 Stepgrandfather (your father's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of Birth _____

Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

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Place of marriage to your grandmother _____ date _____

A-2 Stepgrandmother (your father's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____

Education (number of years):
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s) PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

Religion _____

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

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Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ Date _____

Grandfather (your mother's side)

Name Frank Inglima Current Residence

If dead, date of death Nov. 1953

Place of birth Date of birth 1889

Education (number of years):

grade school Yes high school - vocational - college -

Occupation(s)

			PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)		
1st	Baker	Dates	1st Madison	Dates	1913
2nd	Fruit picker	Dates	2nd Rockford	Dates	1920
3rd	Contracter	Dates	3rd	Dates	
4th		Dates	4th	Dates	

Religion Roman Catholic

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. Church fraternities

Place of marriage to your grandmother Madison, Wisconsin date July 15, 1914

Note: If your mother was raised by a stepfather or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (C-1)

Grandmother (your mother's side)

Name Josephine Licari Inglima Current Residence 724 Auburn St. Rockford, ILL.

If dead, date of death

Place of birth Date of birth September 27, 1894

Education (number of years)

grade school 3 high school - vocational - college -

Occupation(s)

			PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)		
1st	Made Quilts	Dates	1st Madison	Dates	1914
2nd	Furniture Polisher	Dates 1940-50	2nd Rockford	Dates	1920
3rd		Dates	3rd	Dates	

Religion Roman Catholic

Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. Church Societies

Place of marriage to your grandfather Madison, Wisconsin date July 15, 1914

Note: If your mother was raised by a stepmother or another relative (to age 18) give that data on the back of this page (D-2)

C- Grandfather (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion _____
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandmother _____ date _____

D-2 Stepgrandmother (your mother's side)

Name _____ Current Residence _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

Religion _____
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your grandfather _____ Date _____

CHILDREN of A & B (or A-1 or B-1) - your father's name should appear below

1. Name Ann Nayonis
Place of birth erry, Illinois date October 17, 1910
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation ~~assemb~~ Assembler
Residence Lincoln Ave. Ro [illegible] Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children 2

2. Name Margaret Yavorski
Place of birth Cherry, Illinois date May 25, 1914
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Self-employed
Residence Alton, Illinois Marital Status Married
Number of children 2

3. Name William Batutis
Place of birth Cherry Illinois date December 29, 1917
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Machinist
Residence [illegible] Hills Dr Marital Status [illegible]
Number of children 4

4. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

5. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

6. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

7. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

8. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

9. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

10. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

CHILDREN of A and B (or C-1, D-1)-your mother's name should appear below

1. Name Angeline Inglima Giglio
Place of birth Madison, Wisconsin date October 2, 1916
Number of years of schooling 9 Occupation Store Clerk
Residence 29th St. Rockford Marital Status Married
Number of children 2

2. Name Rose Inglima Palùzzi
Place of birth Madison Wisconsin date July 24, 1918
Number of years of schooling 9 Occupation Seamstress
Residence Deceased Marital Status Married
Number of children 3

3. Name Ann Inglima Jackalone
Place of birth Rockford, Illinois date March 25, 1920
Number of years of schooling 10 Occupation Grocery Clerk
Residence Stornway Dr. Rockford Marital Status Married
Number of children 2

4. Name Josephine Inglima Batutis
Place of birth Madison, Wisconsin date February 4, 1922
Number of years of schooling 10 Occupation Store Clerk
Residence 4805 Edgewood Hills Marital Status Married
Number of children 4

5. Name Joseph Inglima
Place of birth Madison date December 6, 1924
Number of years of schooling 6 and Army schooling Occupation Auto Mechanic
Residence Glenwood Marital Status Married
Number of children 4

6. Name Florence Inglima Merriott
Place of birth Rockford date March 19, 1926
Number of years of schooling 10 Occupation Waitress
Residence 621 Cottage Grove Ave. Rockford Marital Status Married
Number of children 4

7. Name Sam Inglima
Place of birth Rockford date November 25, 1931
Number of years of schooling 11 Occupation Assembler
Residence 724 Auburn St. Rockford Marital Status Single
Number of children -

8. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

9. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

10. Name
Place of birth date
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

Your Father

Name William Matthew Batutis Current Residence 4805 Edgewood Hills Dr.
If dead, date of death

Place of birth Cherry, Illinois Date of birth December 29, 1917
Education (number of years)
grade school 0 high school - vocational - college -

Occupation(s)

			PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Machinist	Dates 1933	1st	Rowlton 814 N. Winnebago	Dates 1944-51
2nd	Dates	2nd		Dates 1951-57
3rd	Dates	3rd	4805 Edgewood Hills Dr	Dates 1957-
4th	Dates	4th		Dates

Religion Roman Catholic

Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc.

Place of marriage to your mother Rockford, Illinois date October 22, 1944
NOTE: If you were raised by a stepfather or another relative give that data on the back of this page. (E-2)

Your Mother

Name Josephine Theresa Inglima Current Residence 4805 Edgewood Hills Dr.
If dead, date of death

Place of birth Madison, Wisconsin Date of birth February 4, 1922
Education (number of years)
grade school 8 high school 2 vocational - college

Occupation(s)

			PLACE OF RESIDENCE (after leaving home)	
1st Seamstress	Dates 1940-51	1st	Same as above	Dates
2nd Store Department Manager	Dates 1962-74	2nd		Dates
3rd	Dates	3rd		Dates

Religion Roman Catholic
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc.

Place of marriage to your father date
NOTE: If you were raised by a stepmother or another relative give that data on the back of this page (F-2).

E-1 Stepfather

Name _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

4th _____ Dates _____ 4th _____ Dates _____

Religion
Political parties, civil or social clubs, fraternities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your mother _____ Date _____

F-2 Stepmother

Name _____
If dead, date of death _____

Place of birth _____ Date of birth _____
Education (number of years)
grade school _____ high school _____ vocational _____ college _____

Occupation(s)

PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(after leaving home)

1st _____ Dates _____ 1st _____ Dates _____

2nd _____ Dates _____ 2nd _____ Dates _____

3rd _____ Dates _____ 3rd _____ Dates _____

Religion
Political party, civil or social clubs, sororities, etc. _____

Place of marriage to your father _____ date _____

CHILDREN of E and F (or E-2, F-2) - your name should appear below

Name Robert Micheal Batutis
Place of birth Rockford, Illinois Date of birth February 8, 1952
Number of years of schooling 14 Occupation Sheet Metal Apprentice
Residence 4805 Edgewood Hills Dr. Marital Status Single
Number of children

Name Dennis Batutis
Place of birth Rockford- Date of birth April 26, 1954
Number of years of schooling 14 Occupation Student
Residence 4805 Edgewood Hills Dr. Marital Status Single
Number of children

Name Denise Batutis
Place of birth Rockford, Illinois Date of birth April 26, 1954
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Secretary
Residence 4805 Edgewood Hills Dr. Marital Status Single
Number of children

Name Steven Craig Batutis
Place of birth Rockford, Illinois Date of birth October 28, 1956
Number of years of schooling 12 Occupation Student
Residence 4805 Edgewood Hills Marital Status Single
Number of children

Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

Name
Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
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Place of birth Date of birth
Number of years of schooling Occupation
Residence Marital Status
Number of children

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Signed

Date

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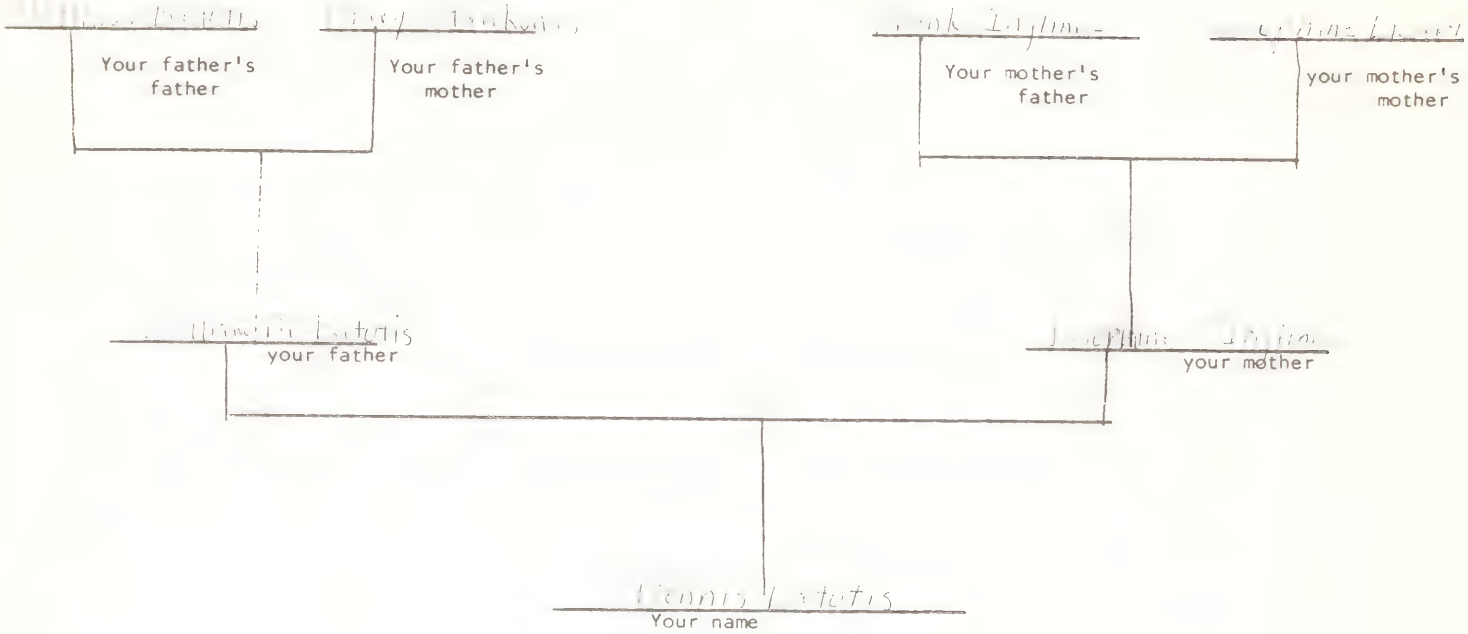
(for each give full name and date of birth; death)



My family history has enlightened me somewhat. I only wish I had started it many years ago. I have only one living grandparent, so I was not able to go back as far into the past as I would have liked to go.

For my father's side of the family, I interviewed my father and his oldest sister, Ann. My Aunt Ann remembered some of the incidents of her parents through chats with her mother, but Aunt Ann put it so beautifully when she said, "Those are the things you never think of writing down. You think that the same people will always be around to ask questions of, but life passes on, and the next thing you know, your loved ones are gone."

My father's mother is my only living grandparent and so I was able to interview her. She, however, does not speak English, so my mother and my Uncle Sam acted as interpreter for me. She knew very little about my grandfather's life before he came to this country.

I'm sorry that my paper could not capture all of the humor and all of the warmth that I experienced in interviewing my relatives.

I was exposed to a wealth of photographs in gathering information about my family, but in the interest of the reader, I tried to limit my choice of photographs to an absolute minimum.

Matthius Batutis

Matthius Batutis, my paternal grandfather, lived his early life in Lithuania. He went to school for three years, which was the equivalent of a high school education. He could read and write in his own language and he, along with his three brothers and one sister, were taught prayers by their parents.

Though my grandfather's people were simple, they had their music to take their minds off the burdens of everyday life. Even the woods resounded is what they use to say, when they would start to sing and dance to their native folk songs. Matthius had a very nice voice and his brother Charlie was a musician in the army. My great grandfather made a violin for my great uncle, but there is no way of tracing this musical instrument.

Matthius and his family left Lithuania to avoid the Russian army. Most young men in Lithuania did so if they had the chance. Matthius' brother Paul had served in the Russian army and all through his life he complained of a bad stomach, which he claimed to have received in that army.

When they came to the United States, they got jobs in coal mines in Pennsylvania, then West Virginia, and finally they came to the small town of Chevy, Illinois, where they settled.

Matthius was engaged to Mary Stanukus and a big wedding was planned for November 11, 1090. The hall was rented and the wedding was to last for about three days, as was traditional for that time. However, a mining disaster occurred and the mine burned. Many men were killed, and it was days before everyone had been found. Matthius worked on the

night shift and the disaster happened in the morning, so he was not working at the time. My grandparents did not feel that it was right to have a big celebration while all of their friends were in mourning. So they were married in a quiet ceremony in the last week of November in 1909.

Because the mines of Cerry were very low, my grandfather had a back ache much of the time, and finally, he moved to Wilsonville, Illinois, were the mines were higher and he could stand up to work, rather than having to bend over.

Because my grandfather had been educated, he used to read to my grandmother. My aunt recalls that he would read in Lithuanian to her, and after he had learned English, he read to her "The Arabian Knights" and other classics.

He was a very matriculous dresser and my aunt recalls that one time she was going to a movie in a dress which she liked very much, but she had washed it and it shrunk just a little bit. My grandfather made her go upstairs and change, because he wanted his children to look very nice also.

Matthius worked as a coal miner all of his life, and was a member of the United Mine Workers. When the U.M.W. went on strike, Matthius came to work at National Lock for about six months, or until the strike ended. He did not like factory work, and while he was in Rockford, he stayed with his daughter, who was married and living on Island Avenue.

My grandfather was regarded with much affection by my aunt and my father. He was a happy-go-lucky type who, though he worked hard, knew how to enjoy life.

Mary Stankunas

Mary Stankunas, my maternal grandmother, came to America to marry my grandfather Matthius Batutis. Her mother died when she was just seven years old and she was raised by her Aunt Eva Gutnukis.

Mary's life in Lithuania was that of a peasant girl. She watched the pigs and cows and made sure that they did not get into the crops. From what I gathered, it was sort of a communal life, in which everyone was to do their share for the little rewards of a piece of black bread, which on many days, composed their entire diet. She told the story that she would get her piece of bread and she would always eat it so fast because she was so hungry, but when it was gone, there was no more. The only holidays that were celebrated were Christmas and Easter. However, being of peasant class, it is assumed that not much was done about these holidays. There is really no evidence as to how the holidays were spent. There is indication that the Lithuanians of that day did observe 40 hours of devotion around the Easter season.

Indeed religion played a very important part in the lives of my grandmother's people. They would walk miles to the village each Sunday to attend mass. During this time, they fasted.)I don't know how much less they could eat, but grandmother is dead, so there is no way to verify the daily diet.)

Mary Stankunas came to America when she was 18 years old. Her aunt didn't want her to come to this country, but it seemed that a widower wanted to marry Mary, and so, in choosing the lesser of two evils, Mary was sent to live with her sister, Margaret Batutis, who had come to the

United States earlier. Margaret's husband Paul Batutis was the first to come to America. He got a job as a coal miner in West Virginia and then in Cherry, Illinois. Once he was in Cherry, he sent for his wife Margaret and their son Paul. Once they had become established, Great Aunt Eva Gunukas, in trying to prevent the marriage of her niece to the widower, wrote to Paul and Margaret, asking them to send money for Mary's voyage to the new world. Mary came to the United States, and after being here for a year, she married Paul Batutis' brother, Matthius Batutis.

Frank Inglima

Frank Inglima, my maternal grandfather, came to the United States from Saint Franciesco in Palermo, Sicily around 1912. His father owned a bakery and he worked for him. He also worked as a fruit picker for part of his life, before coming to America. He left Italy to avoid the draft, and once here, he worked as a contractor for the rest of his life. He had one brother, Joseph, who came to America, but the rest of his family remained in Italy. He married my grandmother, Josephine Licari on July 15, 1914.

Josephine Licari

Josephine Licari, my maternal grandmother, was born on September 27, 1894. (her birth certificate reads October because in Italy, they did not register their children at the courthouse until about a week later.) Her parents were Sam Licari and Rose Mannina Licari. The Licari family lived in St. Giuseppeito in Palermo, Sicily. She was one of seven children, and they shared a two room house with a horse. My grandmother mentioned that many people in their village slept with pigs and chickens in the house, but they only had a horse. Nine people stayed in one room, and the horse in the other.

This horse was a very important part of the family's income. My grandmother's father, like his father before him, was a transporter of goods. They would carry things from one point to another, with their horse and cart. Also from this cart they sold wine, which they transported in barrels. My grandmother went to school for about three years at a local Catholic school. My grandmother was employed as a quilt sewer before she came to America. Her family was considered of average income in Sicily.

Religion played an important part in my grandmother's early life. Most of the festivities, of her village, were centered around religious holidays. Durring these holidays, there would be fireworks, picnics, bocchi, or lawn bowling, and dances.

The key decisions were made by my grandmother's parents, jointly. My grandmother never owned a car, but was the first on her block to have a radio. (Right after Marconi invented it, jokes my uncle.) My grandmother's

brother, Sam, was the first member of her family to come to America. He, like my grandfather, came to avoid the Italian Army. Then members of her family came one at a time. First her father came, then her brothers and sisters, and finally, about four years later, her mother came with her youngest brother and sister, and the family was reunited.

Weddings were very big in Italy and many people joined in the all day celebration. Funerals also involved the entire village, and the casket was carried on the shoulders of the men, through the village. Both, along with baptisms, were held in the church.

Frank and Josephine

Josephine Licari came to America in 1913. When her father and brother came to meet her at the train station, Frank Inglima was with them. He decided that he wanted to marry Josephine, and the marriage was arranged. After living here for a while, my grandmother's brother brought a friend home for lunch every day. He too became very interested in Josephine. But because Frank came from a family that was rather well to do in Italy, her parents decided she should marry Frank, whom she would have chosen anyway.

During their courtship, Frank would come and sit across the living room from Josephine, and they would look at each other, while her father looked on. He would call on Josephine, and if no man was home to chaperone, he would go away. She married him without even as much as shaking his hand. They were married on July 15, 1914 in Madison, Wisconsin.

After they were married, they lived in Madison for six years, they then moved to Rockford for two years, back to Madison for about three years and then back to Rockford, where they remained.

They settled in South Rockford, where many Italians lived. There they spoke Italian and shopped in stores such as Zammuto's, Juliano's and Ferris'. in which they charged things and payed bills weekly.

Almost all of the social activities were centered around St. Anthony's Catholic Church, which my grandfather helped build in 1930. In the summer there were carnivals and dances every weekend on the Church grounds. Also included in the festivities were picnics, bingo, bocchi, and venders selling pumpkin seeds and chic peas.

During World War II, some Italians got the Italian P.O.W.'s released periodically over night for a block party, for which entire blocks

were closed off. These parties were very exciting events, and it is still a mystery as to how these prisoners were released, even for a short time.

Also during World War II, my uncle Joseph was stationed in Tennessee, as a member of the Army Air Corps, and one treat they especially enjoyed was receiving letters from him. They said that the entire household would come alive with excitement when a letter would come.

William Matthew Batutis

William Matthew Batutis, my father, was born in Cherry, Illinois on December 29, 1917. He was the only son, with two older sisters. When he was just a year old, a flu epidemic broke out in Cherry. Many people died and doctors were almost impossible to reach. Due to some influential neighbors, the Mills, the doctor came to care for my father, after he had taken care of the sick members of the Mills' family.

William's family lived alone in a two story house in Cherry. When the family moved to Wilsonville in 1921, they stayed with friends until their house was built. This was a white frame home with a living room, a dining room, a kitchen and two bedrooms. The only boarders were friends of my grandparents who had come to Wilsonville to work in the mines. They lived with the Batutis family for only a short time, and they ate their meals and slept there.

Margaret, my father's sister, lived with her parents after she was married, for about a year before she died, when she became to ill to care for herself.

My father's family was considered to be average middle class. They had what they needed, and they weren't aware that they could have more. My grandmother was a very thrifty person, and she managed to save a great deal. She managed the money in my father's household.

Most holidays were spent at home. My grandmother and my father would come to Rockford to visit my father's sister Ann or my grandmother's

sister Margaret. They would either get a ride from a neighbor or a relative with a car, or they would take the train to Freeport and then the bus to Rockford. My Aunt Ann recalls that transportation to and from Rockford was as bad then as it is now. These visits would be made in the occasion of a wedding or funeral, usually.

Religion was learned in the Holy Cross Catholic Church of Wilsonville. The children learned the catechism and other religious training in church. Schooling was received by my father in the Wilsonville Elementary School, where he was valedictorian, and at Gillespie Community High School, a town about five miles from Wilsonville. My father read a lot, because as his older sisters did their homework, my father was expected to be quiet.

William was discuplined only by his parents, no other adults helped in child rearing. Actually most of the disciplining was done by my grandmother. My grandfather would handle the children in this way. He would say "If your mother can't handle you, I will, but if I do, you'll remember it."

My father never had a car until he left home and started working. In 1938 he purchased his first car, a 1933 Plymouth, and later, in 1941 he purchased a 1936 Chevrolet. The first radio that my father had as a child was one that his sister bought after she had come to Rockford, around 1927. It was an R.C.A. portable model and it was lost in the mail. It had been sent to Williamsville instead of Wilsonville, but it was finally recieved.

The community of Wilsonville had about 900 people and about four grocery stores. It also had a movie theatre, which my father attended about once a week and a large hall for rollar skating, which he also got

to attend about once a week. For entertainment, the boys of the town played baseball often, and swam in the city resevoir. The community also celebrated Labor Day with many festivities, including a carnival and a parade. The event covered the entire three day weekend.

The houses in Wilsonville were not the most modern in the way of sanitation. There was no indoor plumbing, so a well was used to get all the water, and an outhouse was used in place of an inside bathroom.

My father left in 1935 to come to Rockford to look for a job. While here, he lived with his sister Ann at 503 Island Avenue. He first went to work in a furniture factory. Then he worked at Greenlee's from 1935 until 1938. When Hitler invaded Poland, International Harvester reopened one of its Chicago factories, and my father went to live at 2422 South Troy Street in Chicago, with his married sister Margaret. He worked there for six months. He then went to work at National Lock for eight months from 1939- 1940. He then went to work as an O.D. Grinder at Barber-Coleman Company, an occupation he still holds. He has not been an active member of the union.

About the only spectacular thing that happened to my father was that as a member of the Gillespie Community high school basketball team, they were semi-finalists to the Sweet 16 tournament. Even though they did not make it, they had gone further than any other team in that small high school, so the school bought tickets and sent them to the tournament which lasted four four days in Champaign-Urbana.

Josephine Theresa Inglisa

Josephine Theresa Inglisa, my mother, was born in Madison, Wisconsin on February 4, 1922. She was the fourth of seven children, and the fourth girl in her family. She was named Josephine after her mother, [illegible] being a favorite of her father, who called her his "little Chickadee." She was dubbed "Chickie" and later Chick, which is the name she used all of her life.

Josephine moved to [illegible] at the [illegible] of two and lived at several different locations in [illegible] she most remembered [illegible] 7[illegible] Black Street. The living accommodations were adequate. The girls slept in one room, the boys in another, the parents in another, [illegible] there was a living room, kitchen, and a dining room, used for special occasions.

Her family lived alone, with no other relatives. Almost all of her relatives lived in the same part of town, South Rockford, some [illegible]. The parents were the only ones to discipline [illegible] [illegible]'s family. In one instance, the wife of my mother's [illegible] [illegible] live with my grandparents while her husband was in the [illegible]. [illegible] that, no other married family members have lived with their parents. My grandmother continues to live with her youngest son, who is unmarried.

My mother's first job was taken when she was about 17. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]per in the ditchen of Saint Thomas Catholic School for

[illegible], [illegible] worked at this [illegible] for almost a year. She then [illegible] [illegible] house in [illegible]. There, she was employed as a [illegible]. [illegible] a union, but there were no strikes, and everyone [illegible] on good terms. She worked there [illegible] until 1951. She left her job [illegible] the hopes of raising a family, and about a year later, her first child was born. After her children were in school, she went back to work at Spartan's Department Store, as a part time employee in the cash office. When Spartan's was bought out by Arlen's DepartmentStore, she stayed on as Drug Department Cashier.

As a child, my mother's family was poor, and the money that her father made was used to pay the bills and buy food. My mother says that she had spagetti every night of the week, in one hundred different variations.

The only chores that my mother recalls doing are the regular household chores of making the beds, washing the dishes, and cleaning the house.

Most of the family gatherings were in the form of picnics in the summer time. Because the families were getting larger, it was hard to get all of my mother's aunts, uncles, and cousins in one house for dinner, so family gatherings were confined to summer and parks.

Visiting was done by walkingto a friend's and relative's homes since my grandfather never had a car. My mother recalls that time an uncle from California passed through Rockford, and he stayed with their family, but other than that she recalls no extended visits

to or from Rockford by any relatives.

Weddings, funerals and baptisms were held in Saint Anthony's Church, of which my mother's family was a member. The Church played an important part in my mother's family life. All of her sisters and brothers were educated at St. Anthony's Catholic School. My mother was a member of the Young Ladies Sodality, a club for the unmarried young women of the Parish, which met once each month for breakfast and communion.

My mother's parents made the major decisions together. Her schooling was almost automatically decided, because she would attend the Catholic school which was within walking distance of her home. As far as marriage decisions went, the child picked their spouse, and the parents lived with their decision.

My grandmother handled the disciplining of the children, when it was necessary. No other relatives lived with child rearing.

The conflicts that occurred in my mother's family were over money problems. At one time my grandmother had to take a job, so my mother was expected to bake the bread and make supper.

There was not much to do as a child, in the way of entertainment. But as my mother grew to dating age, she went to some dances which were sponsored by the church or other societies, or she would attend a motion picture at the Capital, Realto, or Coronado Theatres. Other events in the community were Church picnics and parades. My mother went to her first football game after she had started

working at St. Thomas'. When my father moved next door to her, she met him and about six years later, they were married.

Dennis Batutis

My name is Dennis Batutis. I was born, along with my twin sister Denise, on April 26, 1954. I have an older brother Robert, who was born on February 8, 1952, and a younger brother Steven, who was born on October 28, 1956. My parents are William and Josephine Batutis.

Until I was three years old, my family resided at 814 North Winnebago St. in Rockford. This was an old, white, frame home which was owned by my parents, with an upstairs apartment which they rented out. This home had large rooms and was adequate until our family started growing up and more room was needed.

In 1957, my parents built a home at 4805 Edgewood Hills Dr. This blonde brick ranch-style home is my present residence. This home has three bedrooms, a kitchen, a living room, and a dining room. It also has a big yard, and is located across the street from Alpine Park woods. These woods provided a wonderful setting for childhood experiences, along with all the other neighborhood kids. There always seemed to be plenty of children in our neighborhood. When first we moved to this neighborhood, my maternal grandmother lived across the street from us, but after a year, she, along with her son, moved out.

Our family is considered average in income. Both of my parents worked in order to help us live more comfortably, and each child was expected to go to work, part time, to make his or her own spending money when he turned 16, which was used for clothes and entertainment.

I worked as a bus boy and a tray carrier at Bishop Buffet for $1.60 an hour. Later, I became a co-host on weekends, and I made $170 an hour. I worked there for two years. I then went to work at K-Mart. There, I was employed as a check-out operator for which, after being there a year, I was receiving $2.00 an hour. All during this time, I was still a student, and then I went to work in Rock Valley College ERC, while I was a sophomore at that College. For this job, I received $1.75 an hour and was on the work study program at R.V.C. because the hours were ideal, no nights or weekends, which was what I needed in order to work as a singer-dancer in a dinner theatre. Ror this I was paid from $8.00 to $15.00 a performance.

Holidays were spent in some sort of a family gathering. Usually several families of my mother's relatives got together to spend Thanksgiving and Easter. Christmas Eve was always spent at my maternal grandmother's home.

Weddings in our family were held in Church, and usually a reception was held in the evening, with a band. Very often, we were invited to the wedding dinner of an extended family member. This was usually held before the reception.

Baptisms took place in the Church. Members of my immediate family were all baptised in Saint Anthony's Catholic Church in Rockford. After each baptism, a dinner was held by my parents for the grandparents and godparents of the child. Other parties that were held for family members were after First Holy Communion, Confirmation, and High School

and College Graduations. These parties usually were made up of ham or sausage sandwiches, cake, and punch. They were attended by aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Religion played a semi-important roll in my life. Each of my siblings and I received all of the applicable sacriments, i.e. Baptism, Penance,, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation.

Most family decisions were made by my parents, jointly. The first car that I remember riding in when I was small was our family car, a 1953 Chevrolet, which my mother won at a Saint Anthony Church picnic. We bought a new Chevrolet in 1963 and kept that until I started driving a 1967 Chevrolet which my family purchased in 1969.

We've had a television since I can remember and have always had many radios.

I have always been active in school activities, and in a sense, my school has been my community. I attended Gregory School from Kindergarten, when the school first opened in 1959, until sixth grade. While there, I was a member of the school"s Safety Patrol. I then attended Jefferson Junior High, where I was a member of Student Council, Swim team, and Drama Club. Jefferson was then transformed into a high school and I was a member of its first graduating class. In high school, I was Senior Class Treasurer, Student Council President, and Student Council Vice President, Yearbook Editor and Layout Editor, a member of the band and Stage Orchestra and was involved in all of our high school musical productions. Because of my activities and my above average grades, I was votedin as a Charter member of Jefferson

High School's first National Honor Society. I then went on to Rock Valley College and there I was involved in a musical comedy and in my sophomore year I joined the Chorus. I was on the Dean's list each semester and was a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

Saint Joseph's Day

Saint Joseph's Day is a holiday celebrated by Italian Catholics on March 19. Some families build alters in their homes to thank St. Joseph for a special prayer that has been answered. My grandmother has had four Saint Joseph's alters.

These alters have every kind of Italian food, from smoked fish, to bread, to churches made from sugar and gum drops. The preparation for these alters starts about a month ahead of the scheduled holiday, with the baking of cookies and other confections. The cooking and decorating goes on for the entire month.

On Saint Joseph's Day, the alters are open to the public, and they are announced in the newspaper. Anyone may come and share in the feast of spaghetti, bread, and pastries. The alter is blessed by a priest, and three children, representing each member of the Holy Family, are elected to taste from each dish on the alter. Since the alter usually covers the entire living room, the dinner, which starts at noon, takes some time.

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